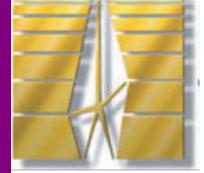


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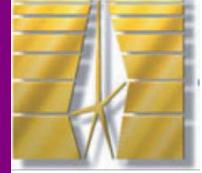
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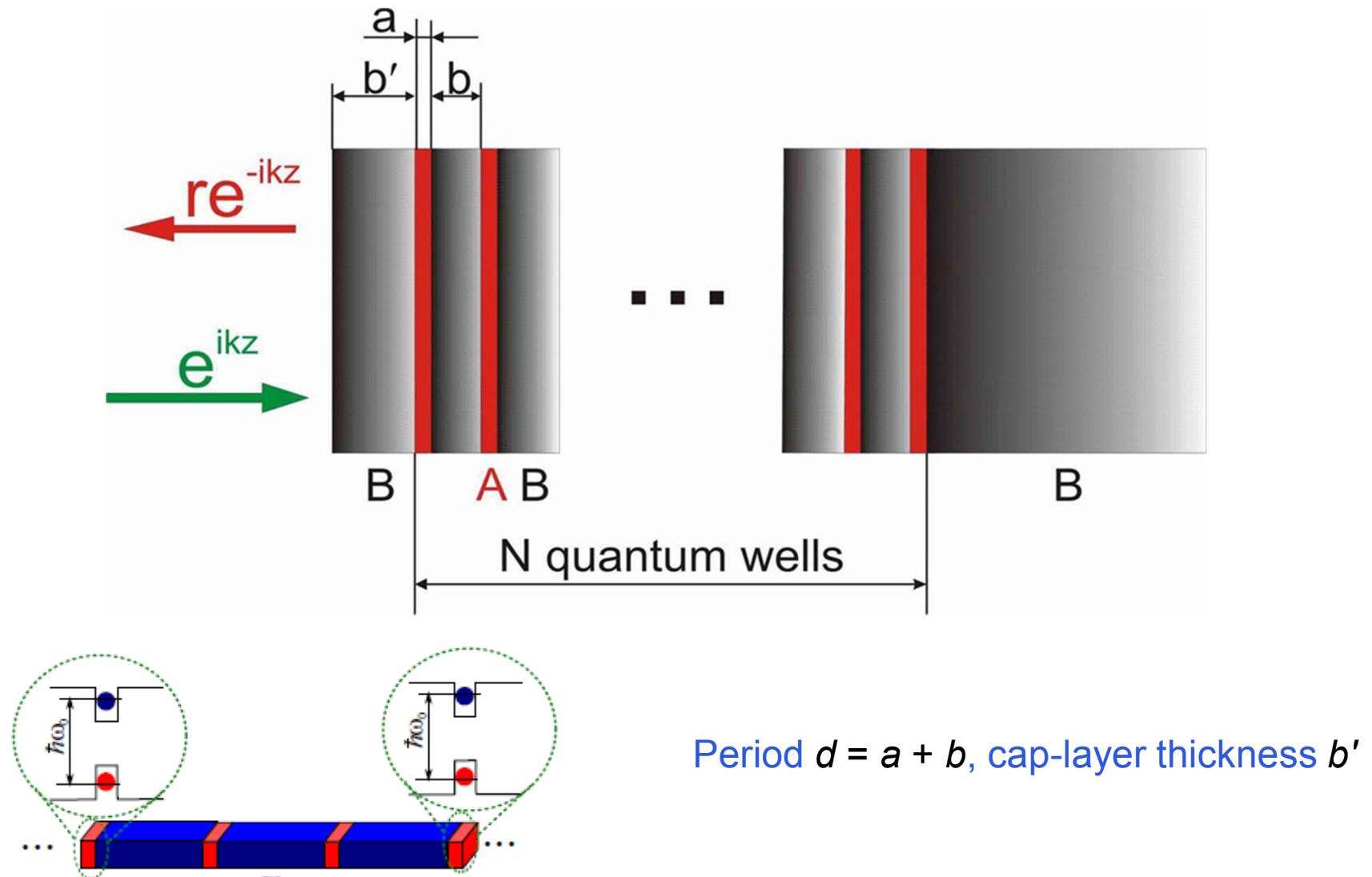
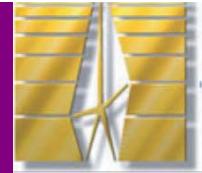
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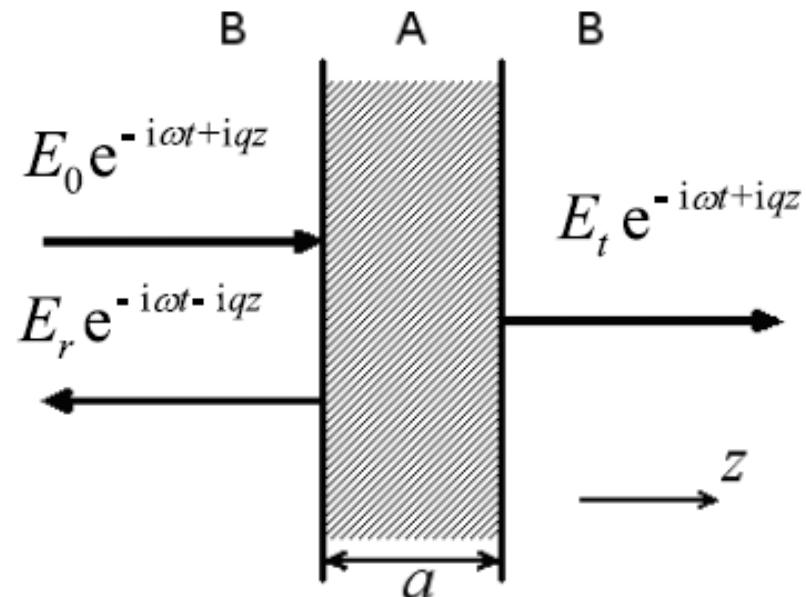
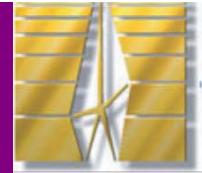


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# Light Reflection from MQWs



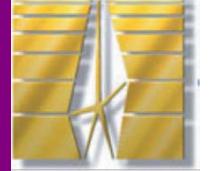
# Reflection from a single QW



$$r = \frac{E_r}{E_0} = \frac{i\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i(\Gamma_0 + \Gamma)}, \quad t = 1 + r$$

Andreani, Tassone, Bassani (1991)

# Infinite Periodic QW Structure



$$\cos Kd = \cos qd - \frac{\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} \sin qd$$

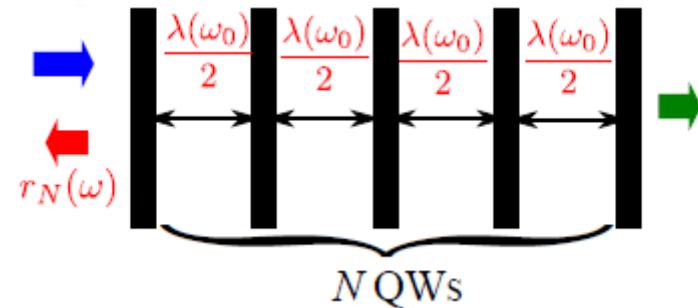
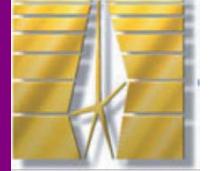
$$q(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{c} n_b \quad -\pi/d < \text{Re}\{K\} \leq \pi/d$$

Ivchenko, 1991

Resonance Bragg condition:

$$q(\omega_0)d = \pi \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b d = \pi$$

# Light Reflection from $N$ QWs

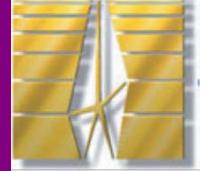


$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b (a + b) = \pi$$

$$r_N = \frac{iN\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i(N\Gamma_0 + \Gamma)}$$

Ivchenko, Nesvizhskii, Jorda 1994

# Light Reflection from $N$ QWs



$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b (a + b) = \pi$$

oblique incidence:

$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b d \cos \theta = \pi$$

m-th order of reflection:

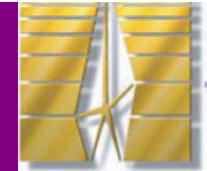
$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b d \cos \theta_m = \pi m$$

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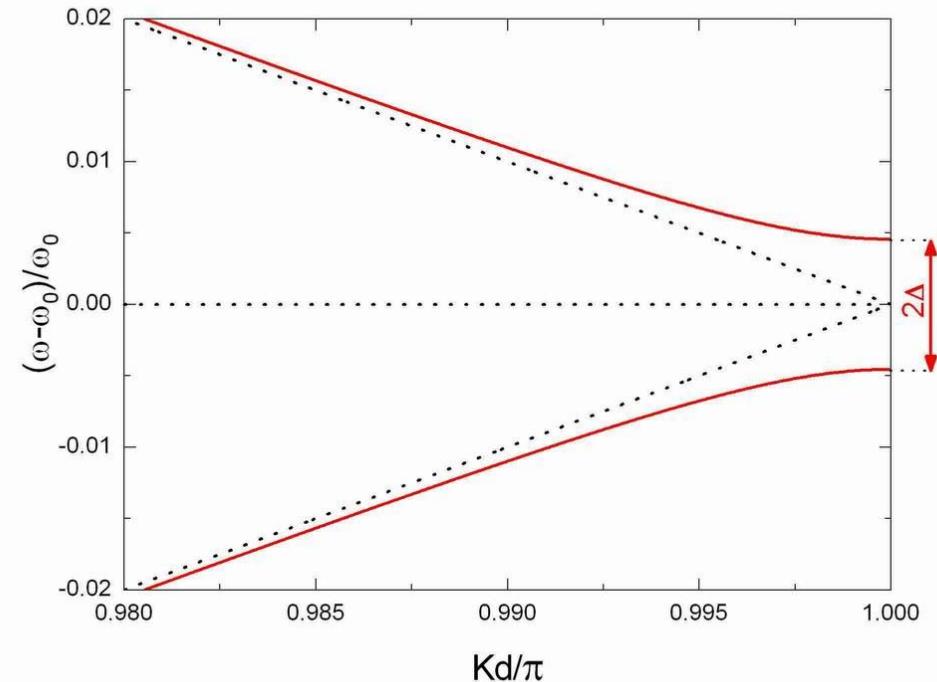


Effect of **multireflection**

# Exciton-Polariton Dispersion in Resonant Bragg QW Structure



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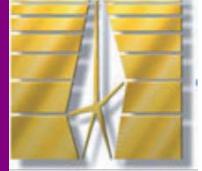


$$\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2\Gamma_0\omega_0}{\pi}}$$

$$\cos Kd = \cos qd - \frac{\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} \sin qd$$

Ivchenko, Willander (1999)

# Concluding the INTRODUCTION



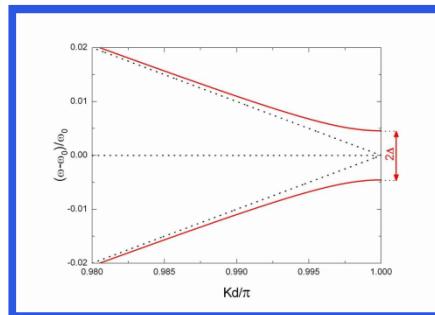
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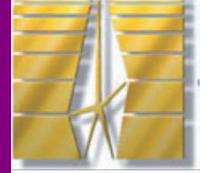
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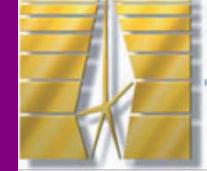
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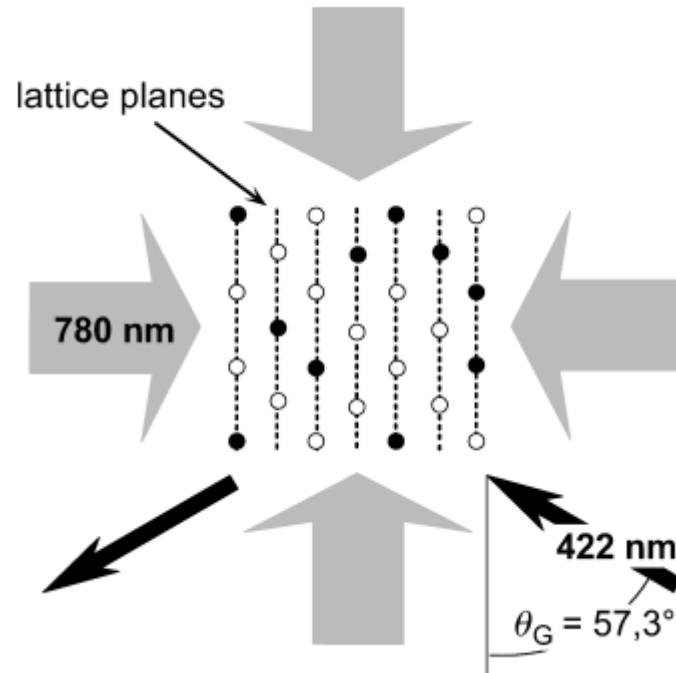


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# Optical Lattices of Cold Atoms

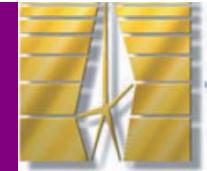


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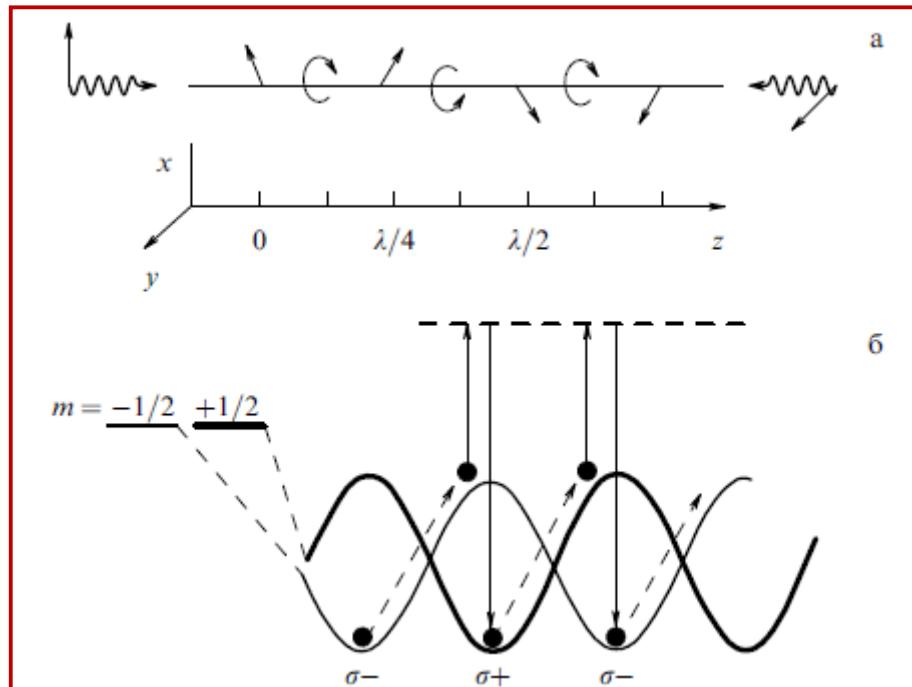


2D schematic presentation of Bragg diffraction from optical lattices. The atomic lattice is formed in the intersection of six laser beams, with the pair of laser beams perpendicular to the drawing plane not shown here. The lattice constant is determined by the wavelength of the lattice field ( $\lambda_L = 780 \text{ nm}$ ). Occupied lattice sites are represented by filled circles. A laser beam of shorter wavelength ( $\lambda_B = 422 \text{ nm}$ ) is diffracted from the lattice planes when the Bragg condition is fulfilled.

# Laser Cooling and Trapping of Neutral Atoms



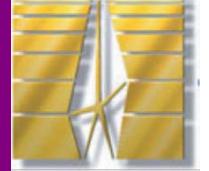
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Phillips, Nobel Lecture, December 1997

# Optical Lattices of Cold Atoms



Intra-atomic optical transitions

$$5S_{1/2}(F = 3) \rightarrow 5P_{3/2}(F' = 4)$$

of the rubidium  $D_2$  resonance line at  $\lambda_L = 780.2$  nm  
( $F$  = total angular momentum)

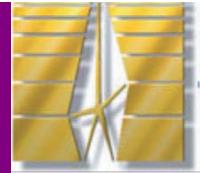
In the electromagnetic field

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}, t) = e^{-i\omega t} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) + \text{c.c.},$$

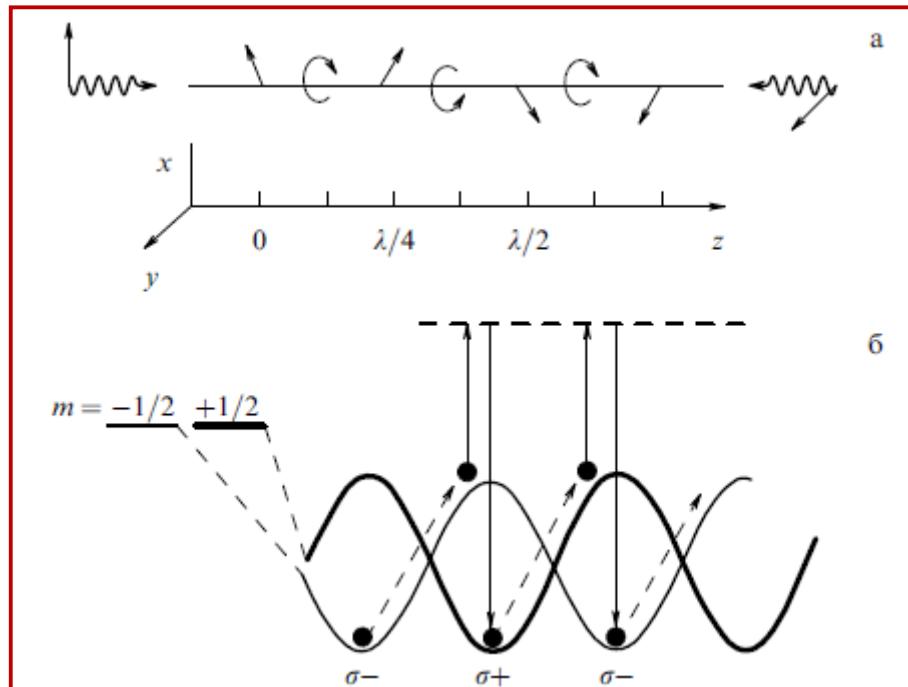
the energies of the ground-state sublevels  $S_z = 1/2$  are renormalized.  
The field-induced correction to the atomic Hamiltonian has the form

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{r}) = A \mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) + iB \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot [\mathbf{E}^*(\mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})]$$

# 1D Optical Lattice of Cold Atoms



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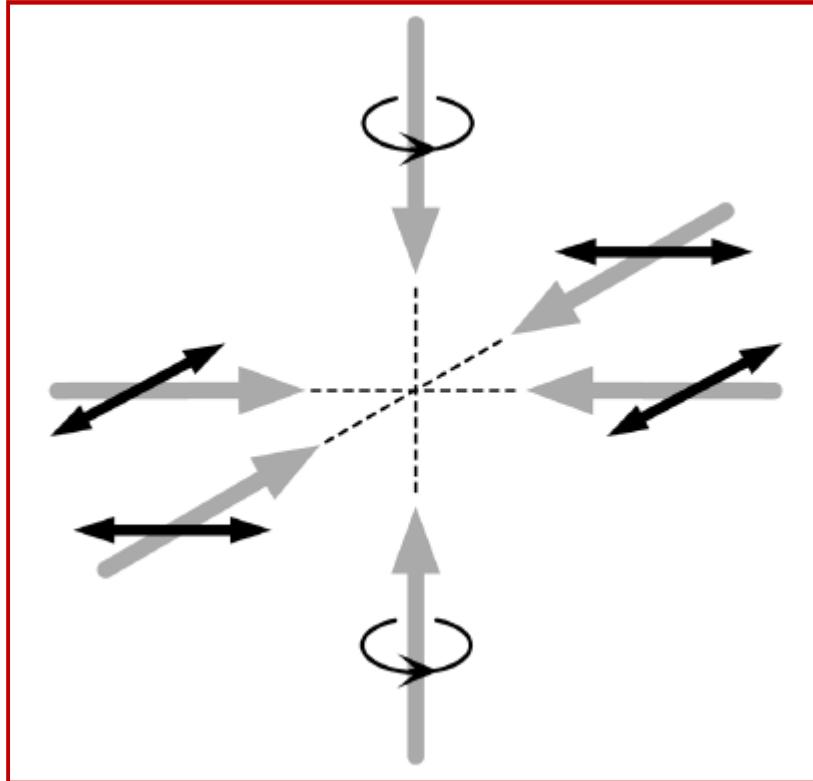
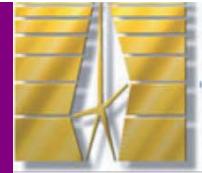


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$$\delta\varepsilon_{\pm 1/2} \propto m B E_0^2 \sin \frac{4\pi z}{\lambda}$$

Phillips, Nobel Lecture, December 1997

# 3D Optical Lattices of Cold Atoms

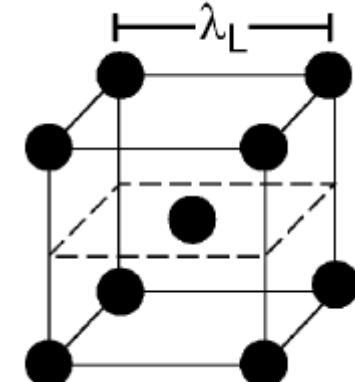


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = & e^{i\psi} \mathbf{e}_y \cos 2\pi x + e^{-i\psi} \mathbf{e}_x \cos 2\pi y \\ & + e^{i\varphi} \frac{\mathbf{e}_x + i\mathbf{e}_y}{\sqrt{2}} \cos 2\pi z \end{aligned}$$

$(x,y,z)$  in units of  $\lambda_L$ )

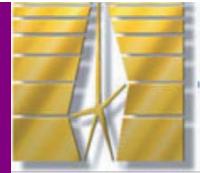
The **bcc** structure is obtained for

$$\psi = \pi/4, \varphi = 0$$



The atomic lattice is formed in the intersection of six laser beams

# Resonant Bragg systems



optical lattices  
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multiple  
quantum wells

nuclear resonances  
for  $\gamma$ -quanta

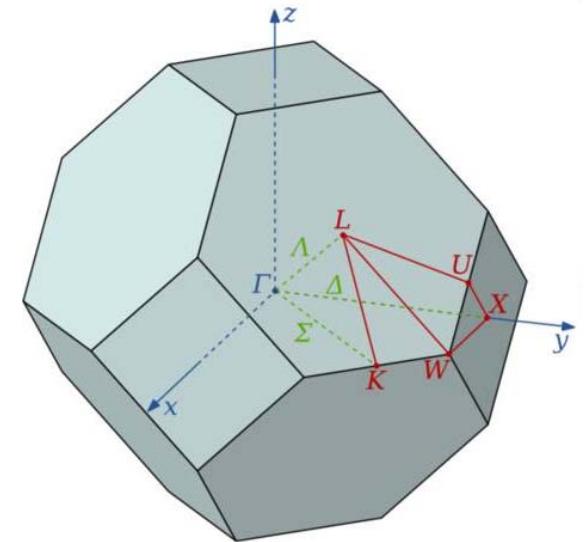
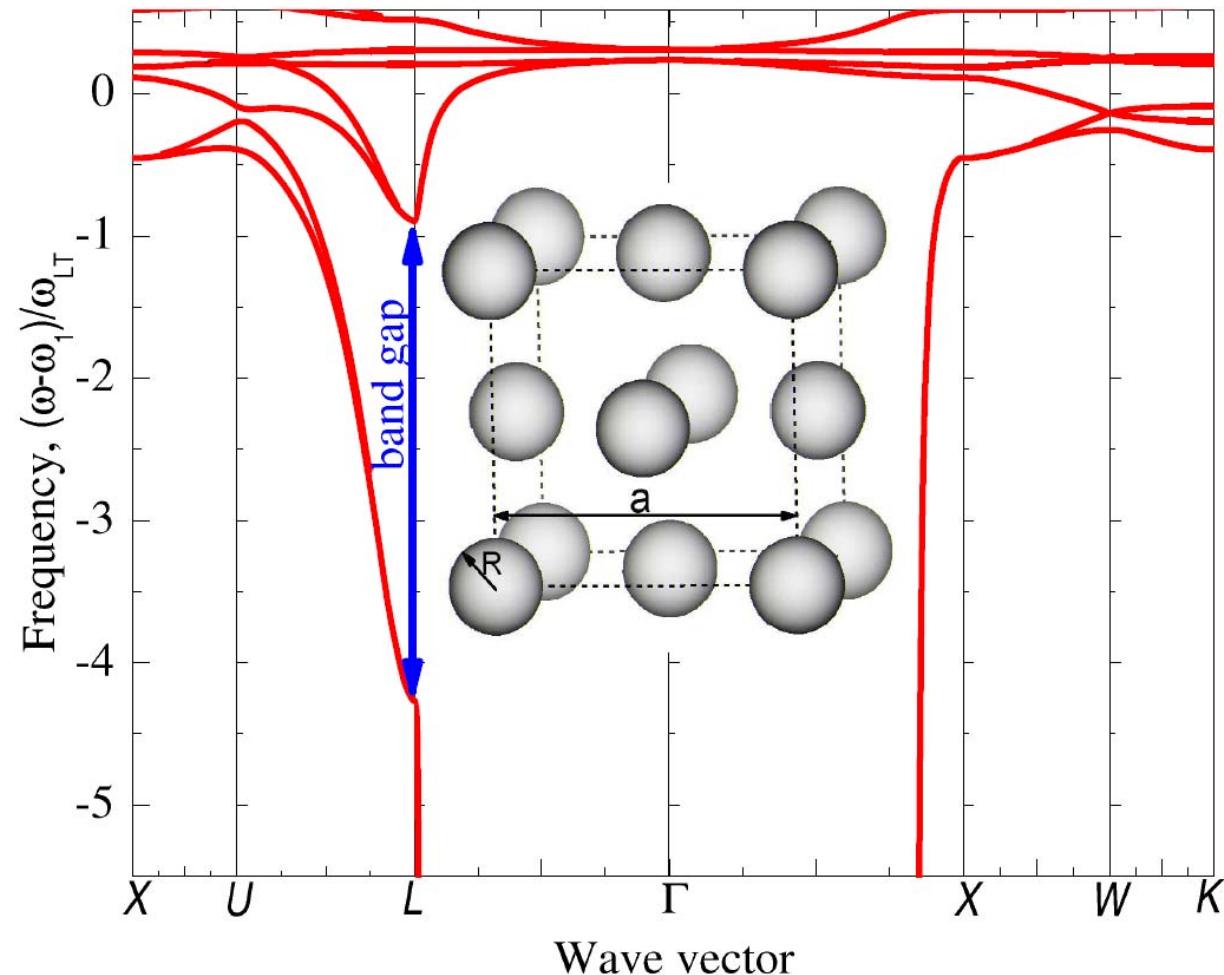
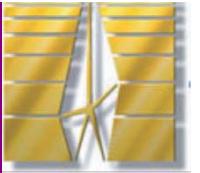
$$|q(\omega_0)| = |q(\omega_0) + b|$$

quantum-dot  
photonic crystals

linear resonator  
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coupled-resonator  
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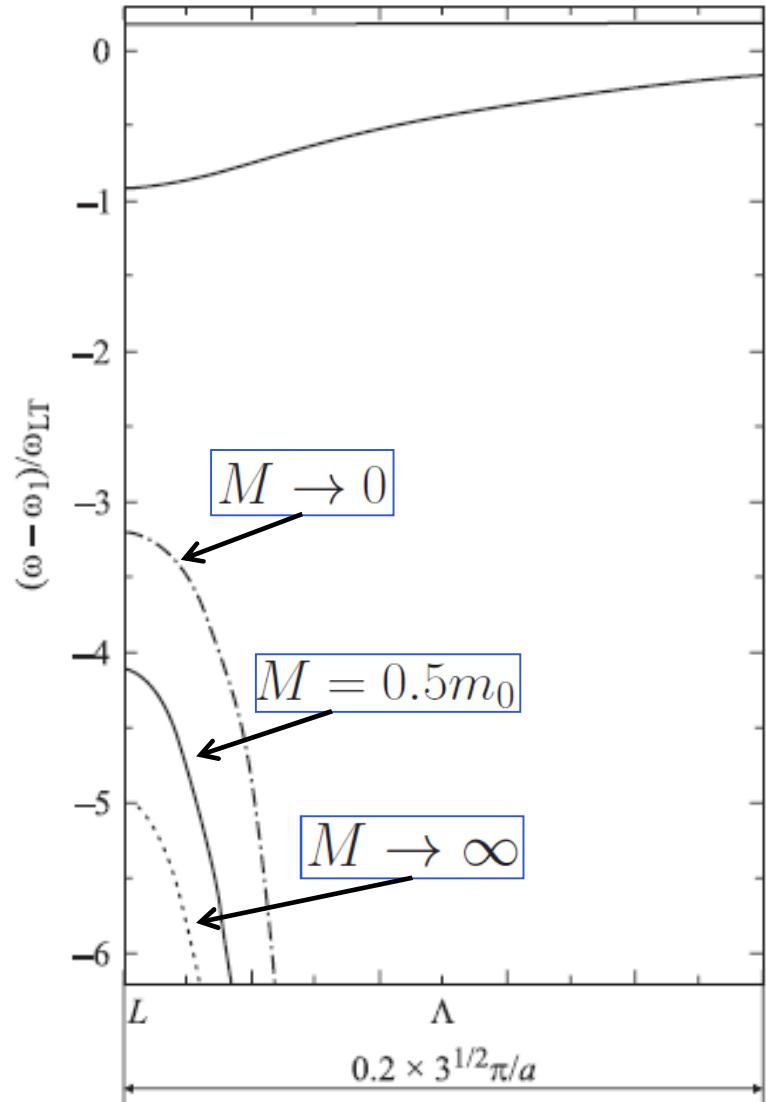
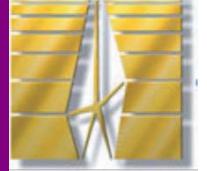
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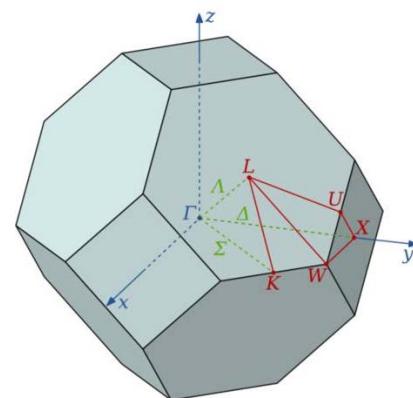
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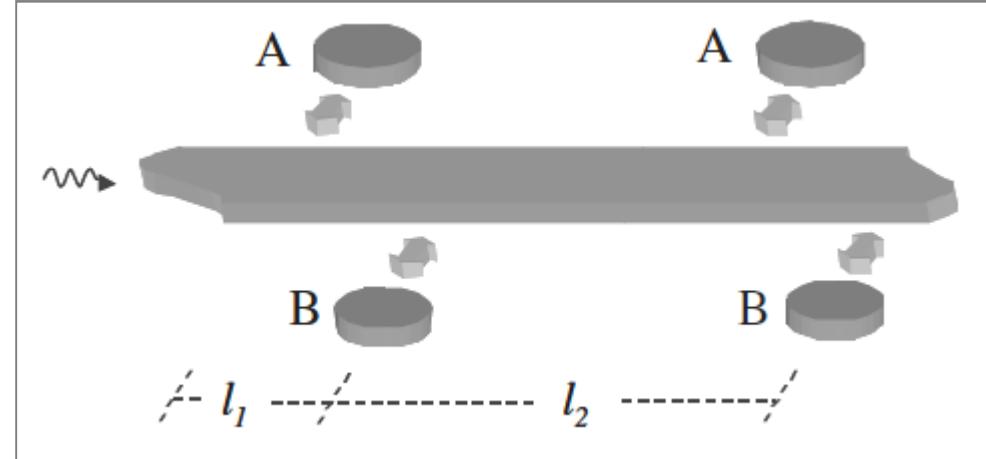
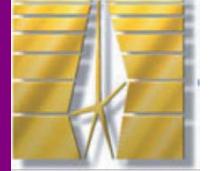


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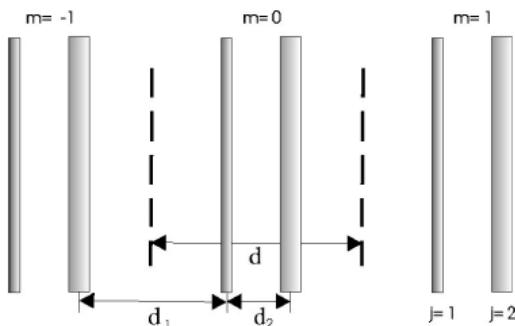


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# Coupled-resonator optical waveguide



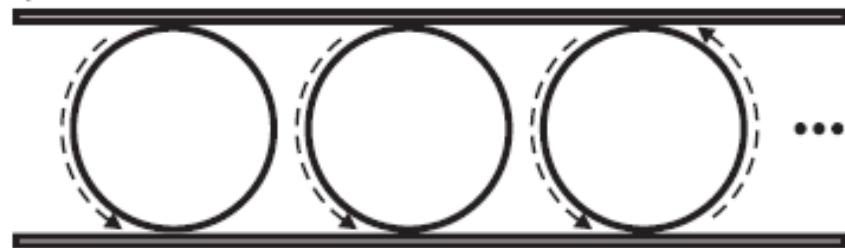
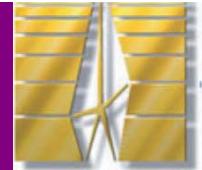
Yanik, Suh, Wang,  
Fan, PRL 2004



$$\cos(kl) = \cos(\beta l) + \frac{C_+}{(\omega - \omega_A)} + \frac{C_-}{(\omega - \omega_B)}$$

Ivchenko, Voronov, Erementchouk,  
Deych, Lisyansky, PRB 2004

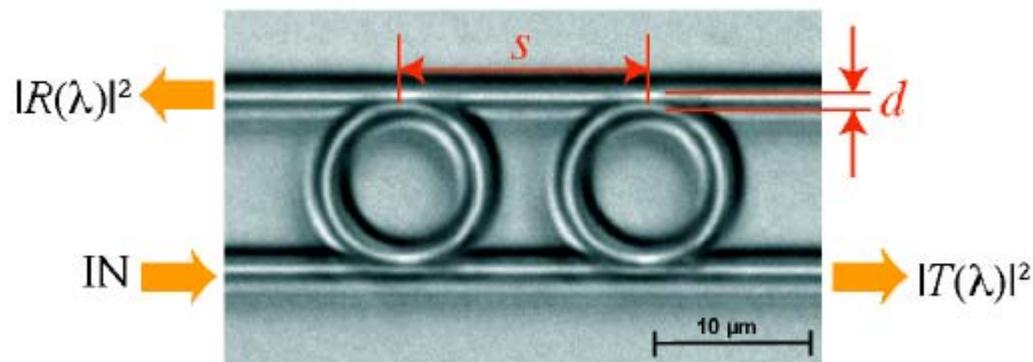
# Chain of ring resonators



$$t \simeq \frac{(\omega - \omega_0)^2}{N^2 \gamma^2 + (\omega - \omega_0)^2}$$

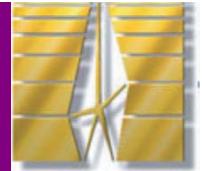
**Matsko, Savchenkov, Liang, Ivchenko, Seidel, Maleki, Optics Express 2009**

The resonators are connected to the external environment through single mode waveguides. When the periodicity of the chain satisfies the Bragg condition and when the incoming light is resonant with the resonator modes.



Xu, Sandhu, Povinelli, Shakya, Fan, Lipson, PRL 2006

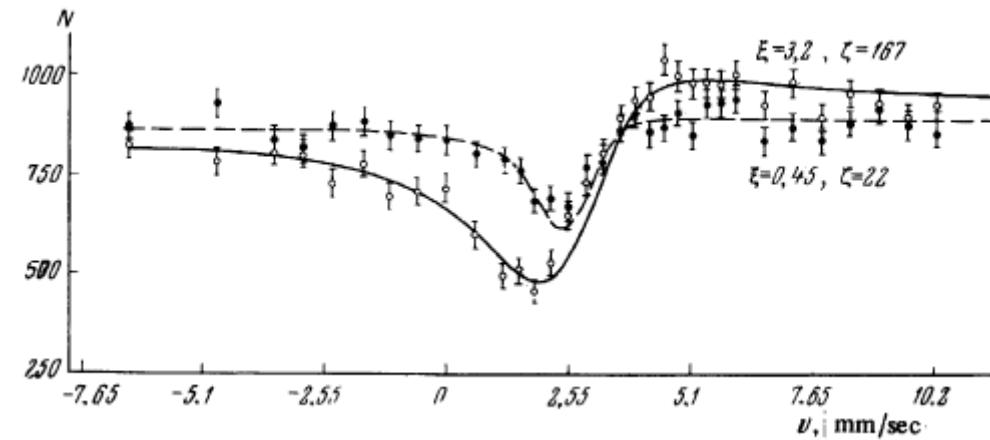
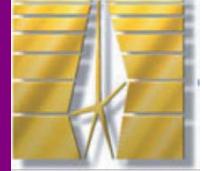
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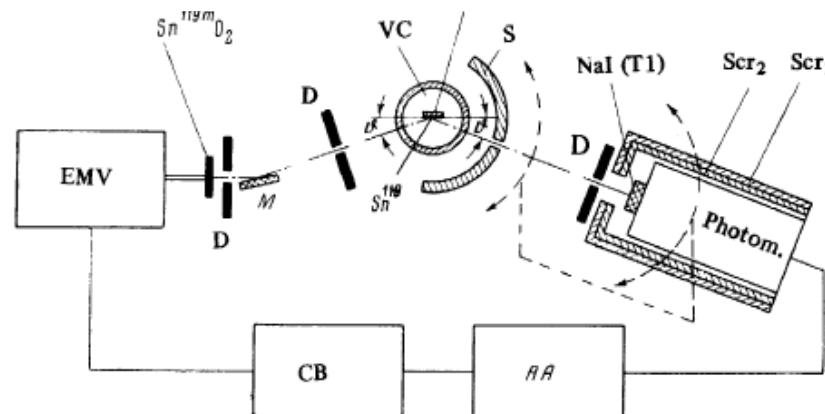
In the resonant gamma diffraction spectroscopy, the emitting and diffracting nuclei are the same, e.g., the Sn nuclei are both in a  $\text{SnO}_2$  oxide layer (source) and a Sn monocrystal (diffracting material). The source (either the sample) is moving with various velocities  $v$  to produce a Doppler effect and scan the gamma ray energy through a given range. A typical range of velocities is around  $\pm 10 \text{ mm/s}$  (for  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  1 mm/s = 48.075 neV). In the resulting spectra, gamma-ray diffraction intensity is plotted as a function of the source velocity.

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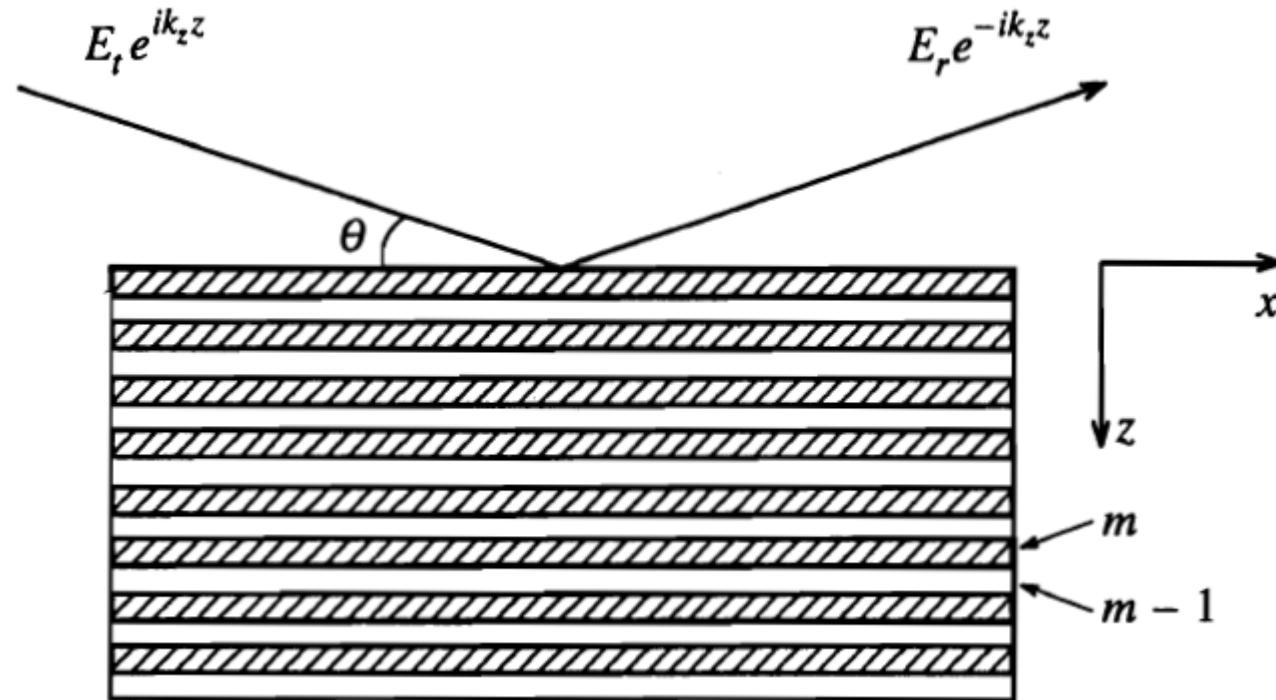
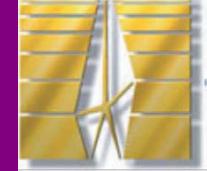


$$\hbar\omega_0 = 24.8 \text{ keV}$$



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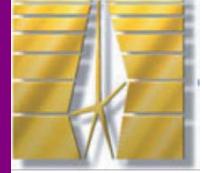


Nuclear transition  
of the  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  isotope  
 $\hbar\omega_0 = 14.413 \text{ keV}$ ,  
grazing angle  
 $\theta = 11.41 \text{ mrad}$   
 $2(\omega_0/c)\sin\theta = 2\pi/d$   
 $d_{57} = 10 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $d_{56} = 30 \text{ \AA}$

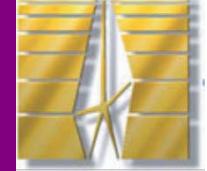
Chumakov, Niesen, Nagy, Alp, “**Nuclear resonant scattering of synchrotron radiation by multilayer structures**”, Hyperfine Interactions 123/124, 427 (1999)

Model nuclear periodic multilayers  $[^{57}\text{Fe}(d_{57})/^{56}\text{Fe}(d_{56})] \cdot N$  on a glass substrate.  
Here  $N$  is the number of periods.

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# Transfer matrix through a single QW

The transfer matrix connects the amplitudes of the electric field at the points  $z = \pm d/2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} E'_+ \\ E'_- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_+ \\ E_- \end{bmatrix}.$$

The amplitudes are defined as follows: the incoming and outgoing waves on the left-hand side are, respectively,

$$E_+ \exp[iq(z + d/2)] \text{ and } E_- \exp[-iq(z + d/2)]$$

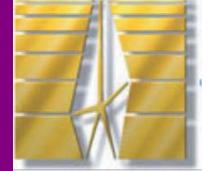
and those on the right-hand side are

$$E'_- \exp[-iq(z - d/2)] \text{ and } E'_+ \exp[iq(z - d/2)].$$

The components  $T_{ij}$  are related to the reflection and transmission coefficients  $\tilde{r} = e^{iqd} r_{\text{QW}}$ ,  $\tilde{t} = e^{iqd} t_{\text{QW}}$  by

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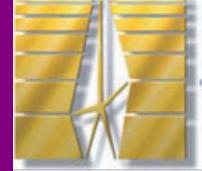
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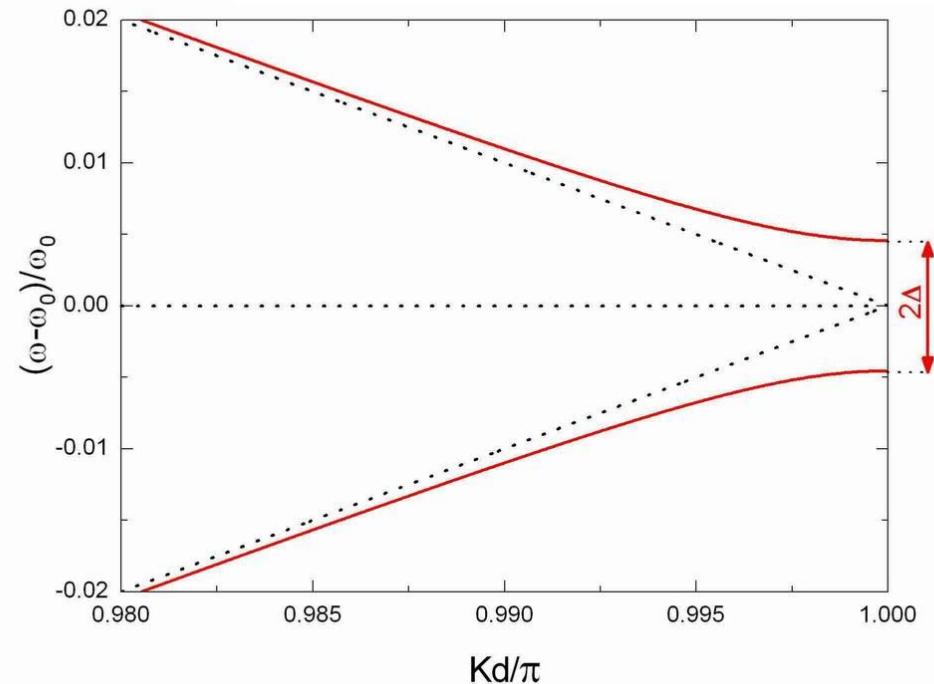
$$\cos Kd = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\hat{T}) = \frac{\tilde{t}^2 - \tilde{r}^2 + 1}{2\tilde{t}} = \cos qd + i \sin qd \frac{r_{\text{QW}}}{1 + r_{\text{QW}}}$$

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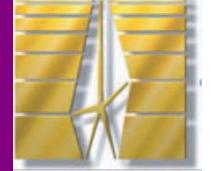
$$\omega - \omega_0 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi} \Gamma_0 \omega_0 + \omega_0^2 \left( \frac{Kd}{\pi} - 1 \right)^2}$$



$$\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2\Gamma_0\omega_0}{\pi}}$$

$\text{Ga}_{0.96}\text{In}_{0.04}\text{As}/\text{GaAs}$ :  $\hbar\Gamma_0 = 0.027 \text{ meV}$ ,  $\Delta = 5 \text{ meV}$   
 $\text{CdTe}/\text{Cd}_x\text{Zn}_{1-x}\text{Te}$ :  $\hbar\Gamma_0 = 0.12 \text{ meV}$ ,  $\Delta = 11 \text{ meV}$

# Two regimes of light reflection



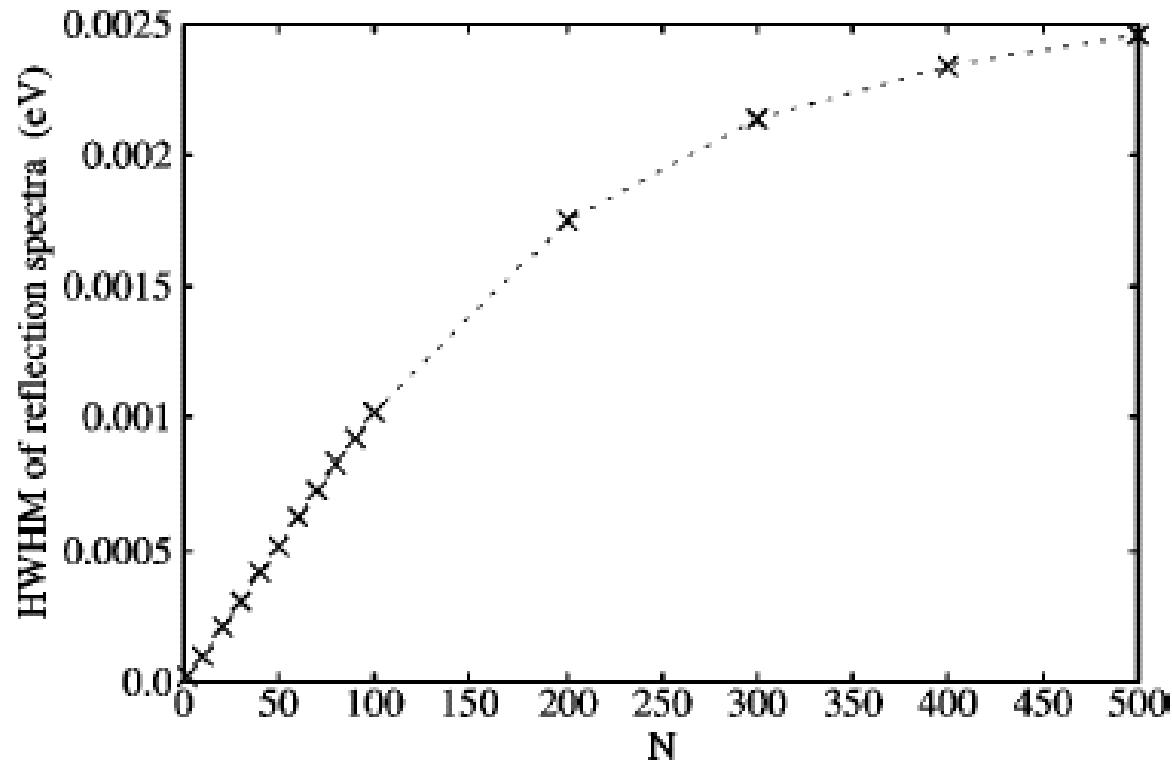
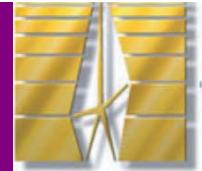
With increasing the number of wells  
the reflection-peak halfwidth changes

from  $N\Gamma_0 + \Gamma$  (superradiant regime)

to  $\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}\Gamma_0\omega_0}$  (photonic-crystal regime)

$$N\Gamma_0 \ll \Delta = \sqrt{2\Gamma_0\omega_0/\pi} \quad \text{or} \quad N\sqrt{\Gamma_0/\omega_0} \ll 1$$

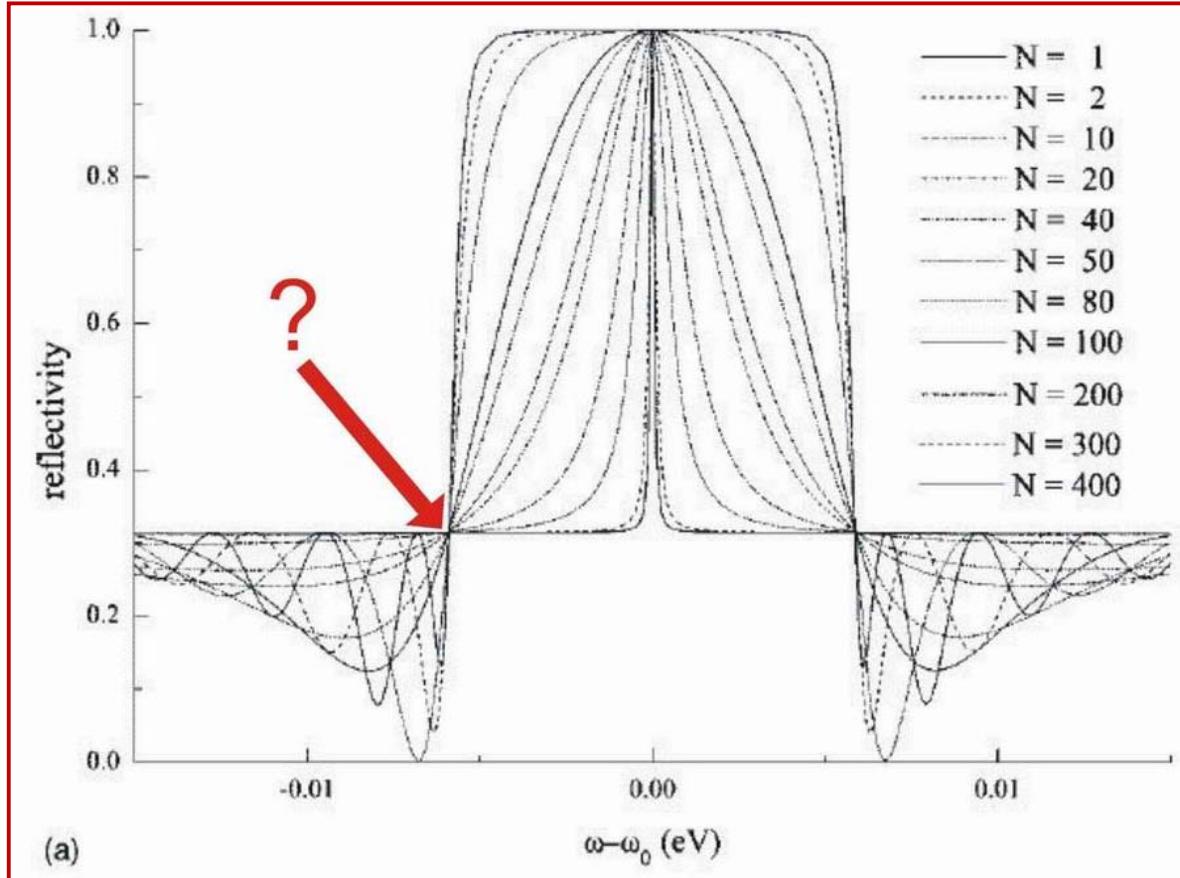
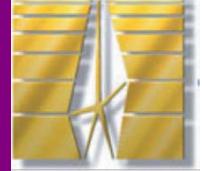
# Reflection spectral width as a function of the QW number



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# Reflection spectral width as a function of the QW number



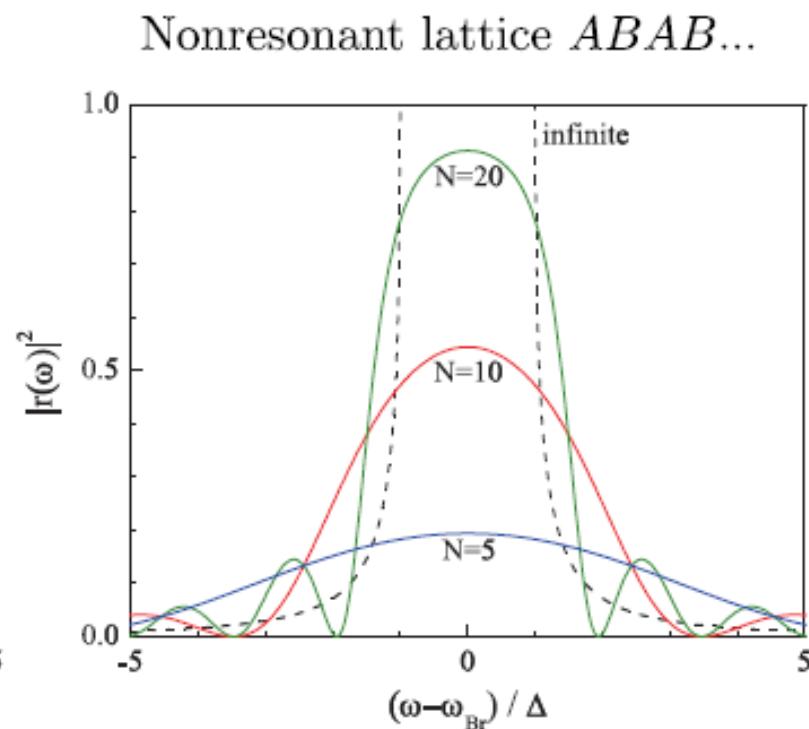
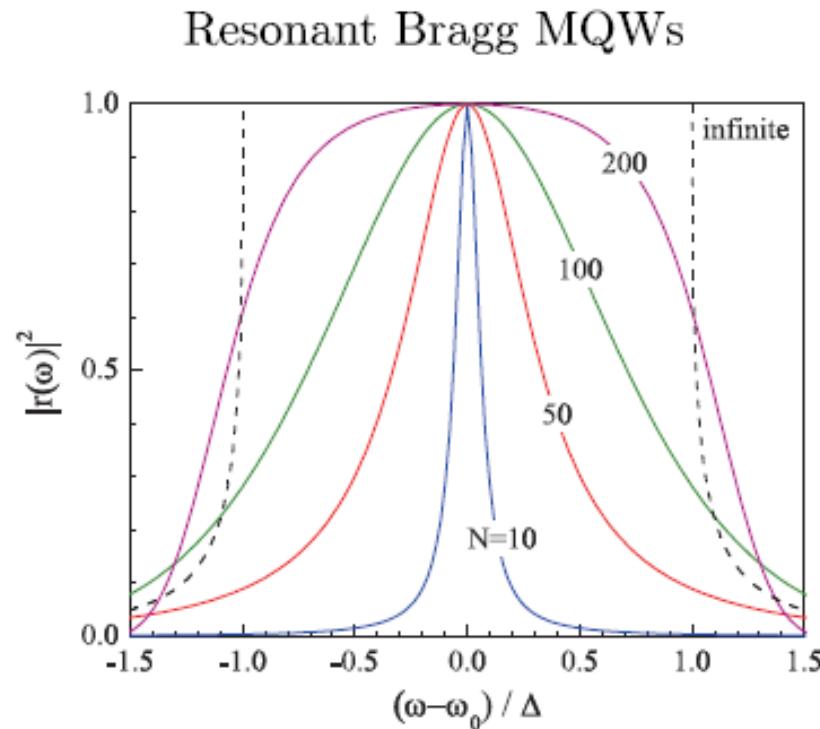
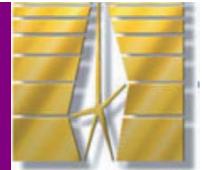
$$\begin{aligned}a &= 8 \text{ nm}, \varepsilon_b = 12.6, \\ \hbar\omega_0 &= 1.5152 \text{ eV}, \\ \hbar\Gamma_0 &= 33 \mu\text{eV}\end{aligned}$$

(a)

Pilozzi, D' Andrea, Cho, Phys. Rev. B **69**, 205311 (2004)

Voronov, Ivchenko, Poddubny, Chaldyshev, FTT **49**, 1710 (2006)

# Comparison of resonant and nonresonant Bragg structures



$$\Gamma = 0$$

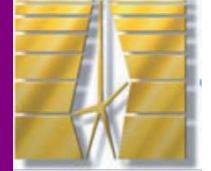
$$\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi} \omega_0 \Gamma_0}$$

$$n_A = 2.916, n_B = 2.653$$

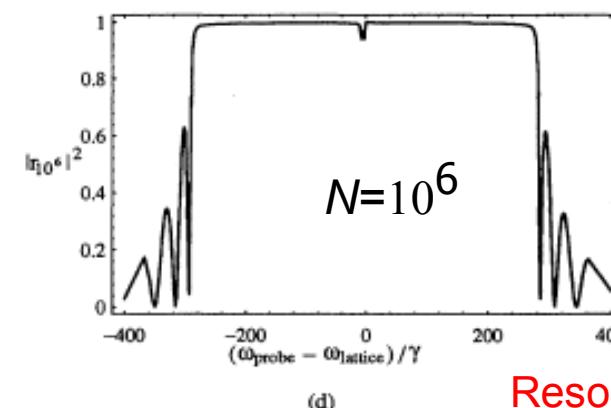
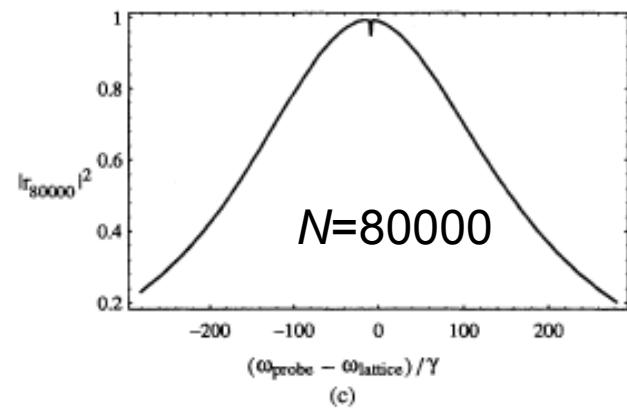
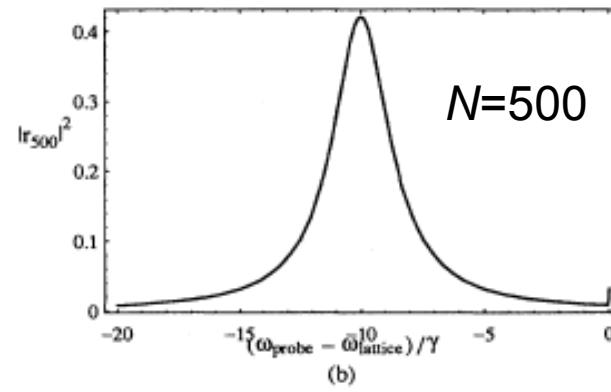
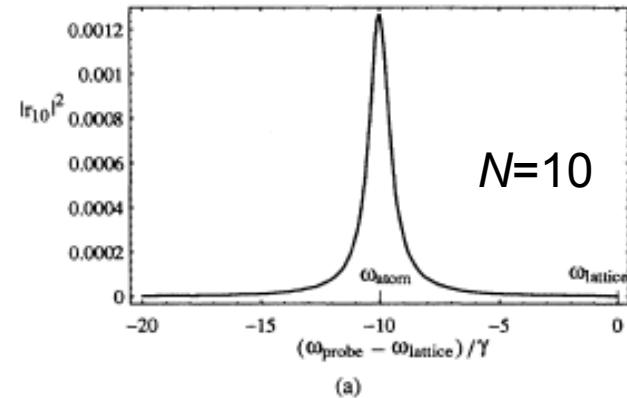
$$\Delta = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{n_A - n_B}{n_A + n_B} \omega_{Br}$$

Poshakinskiy 2012

# Reflection from atomic lattice



Reflection spectra from a lattice of Cs atoms for various numbers of atomic planes



$$\Gamma_0 = 3.7 \times 10^{-3} \Gamma$$

$$\omega_{\text{Br}} = \omega_0 + 20 \Gamma$$

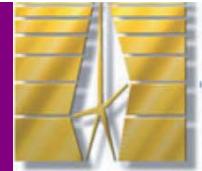
$$\omega_{\text{Br}} = \frac{c}{n_b} \frac{\pi}{d}$$

Resonant Bragg condition:

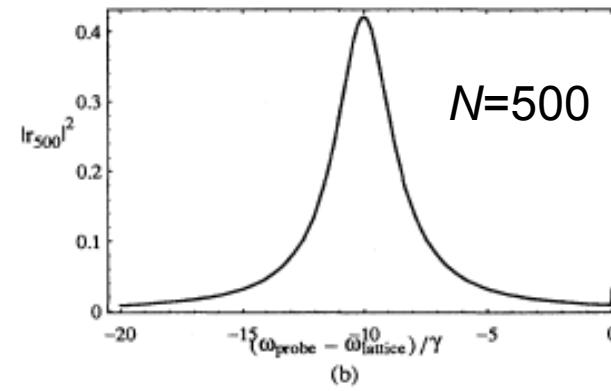
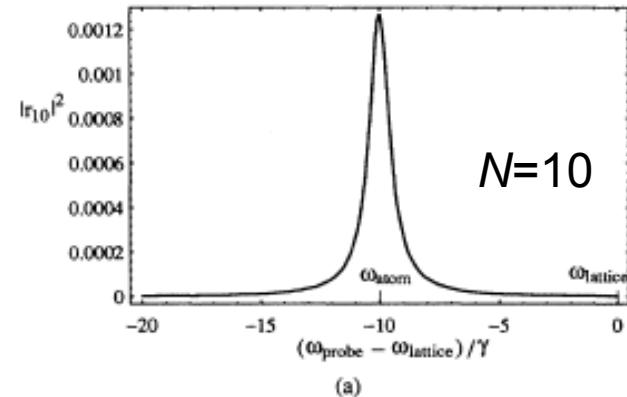
$$\omega_{\text{Br}} = \omega_0, \text{ damping} = N \Gamma_0 + \Gamma$$

Deutsch, Spreeuw, Rolston, Phillips, PRB 1995

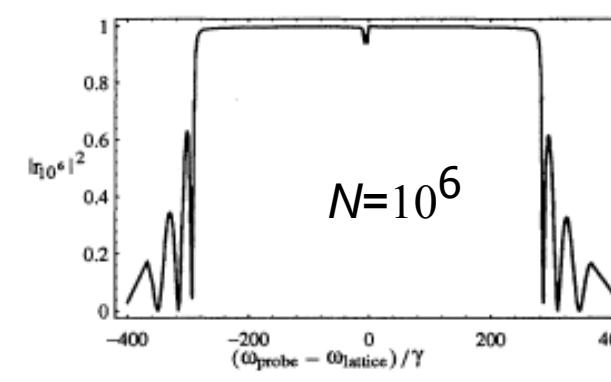
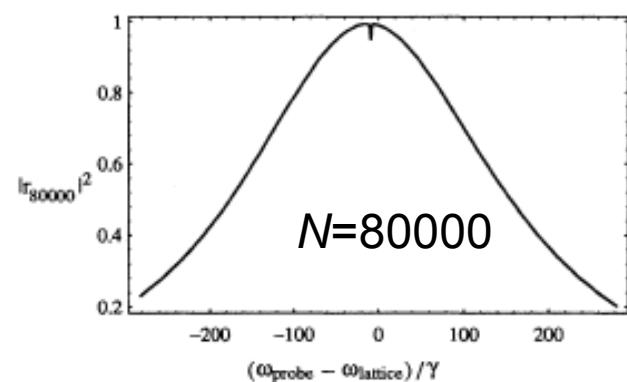
# Two regimes of light reflection



Reflection spectra from a lattice of Cs atoms for various numbers of atomic planes

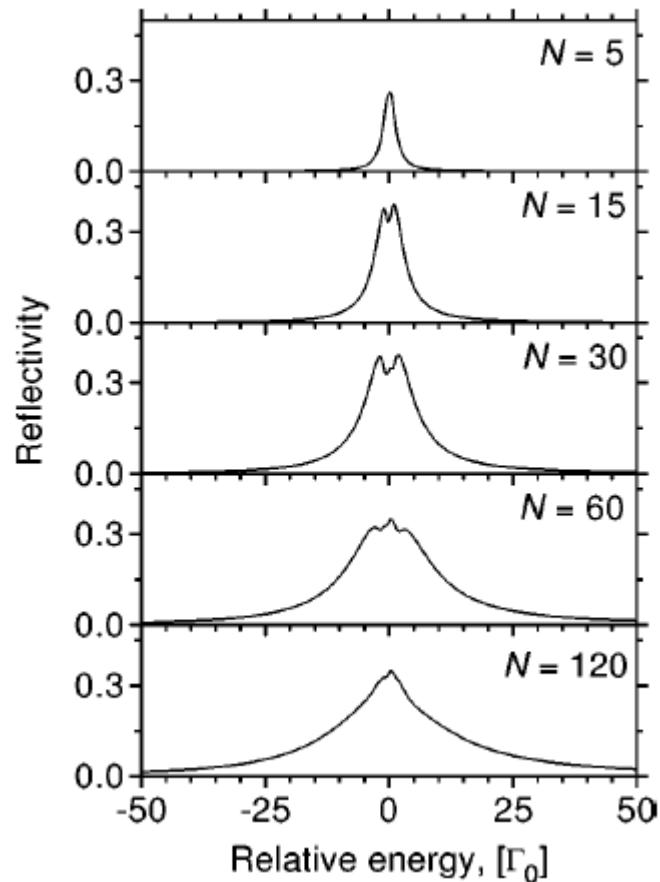
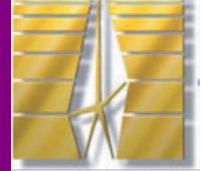


$$\xi_0 \gamma = 2\Gamma_0$$



$$\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega_0\Gamma_0}{\pi}} \longleftrightarrow \Delta\omega_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{\xi_0\gamma\omega_{\text{atom}}}{\pi}}$$

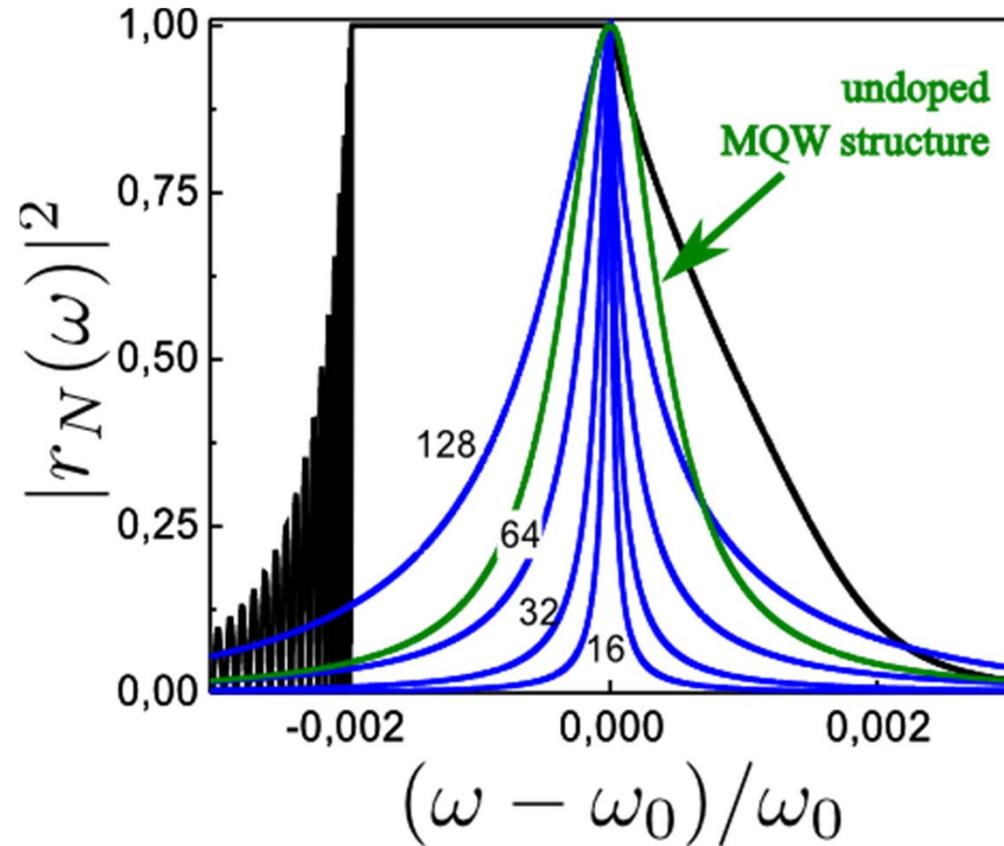
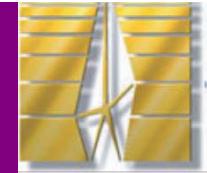
# Nuclear Bragg reflection



Computer simulation of the energy spectra of the first-order nuclear Bragg reflection for a  $[^{57}\text{Fe}(d_{57})/^{56}\text{Fe}(d_{56})] \cdot N$  multilayer with different number of periods  $N$ .

Chumakov et al. 1999

# Exciton in the 2D Fermi sea



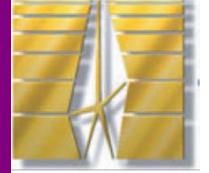
$$P(z) = \int \pi(\omega, z, z') E(z') dz'$$

$$\pi(\omega, z, z') = \frac{1}{4} \hbar \kappa_b \omega_{LT} a_B^3 \Phi(z) \Phi(z') G(\omega)$$

$$G(\omega) = \frac{1}{S} \sum_k \left| \frac{M_k}{M_k^0} \right|^2 \frac{1 - n_F(k)}{E_g + \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} - \hbar \omega - i0}$$

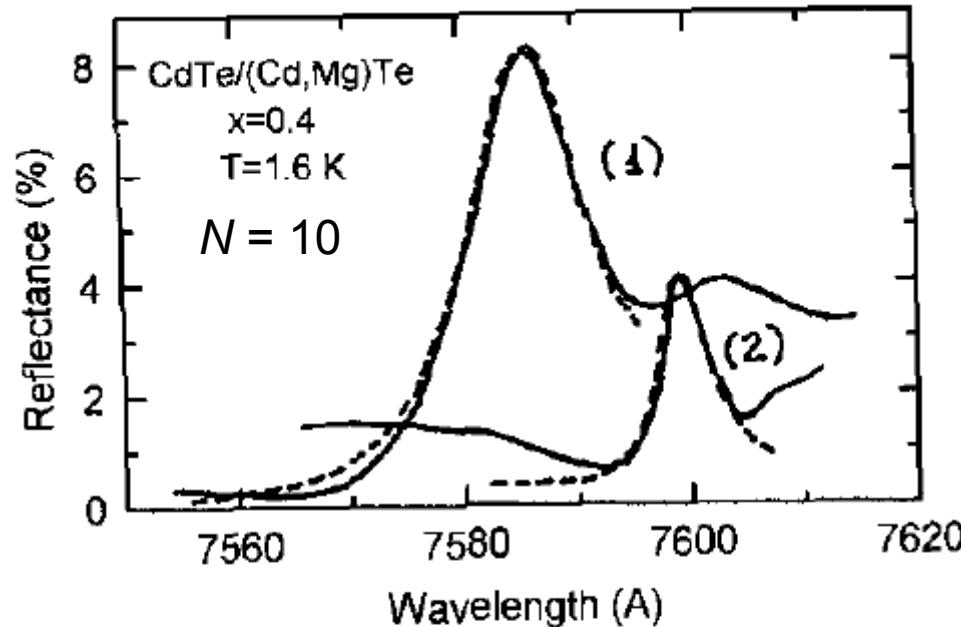
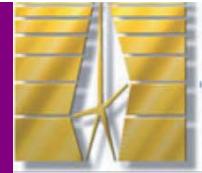
Averkiev, Glazov, Voronov (2012)

# Resonant photonic crystals and quasicrystals



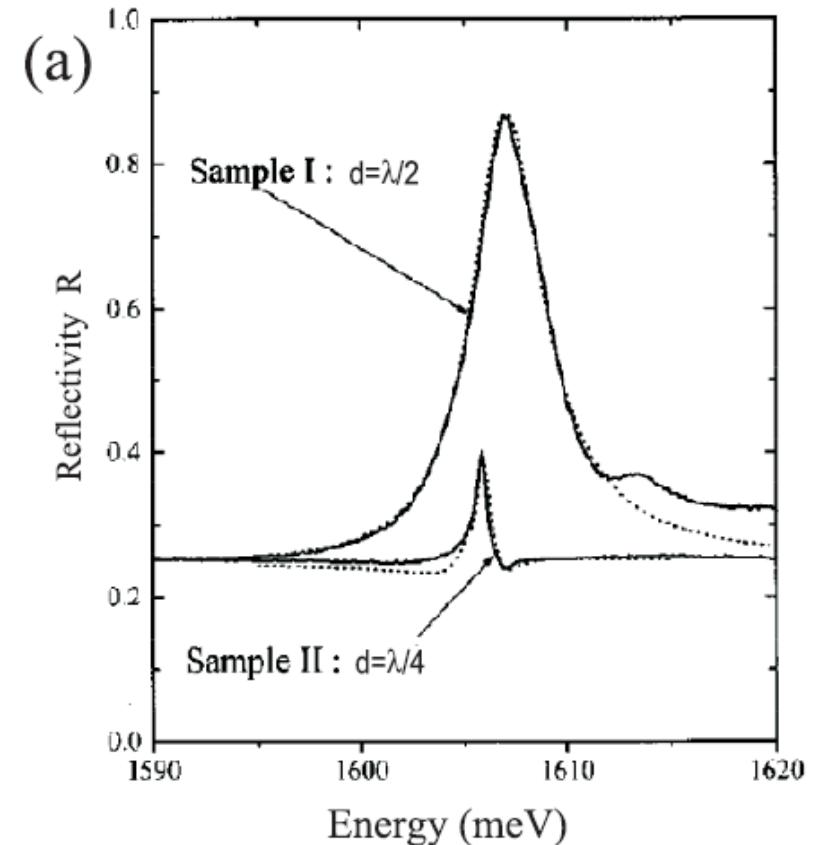
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# Resonant optical spectra. Experiment



**Fig.1.** Reflectance from the Bragg (curve 1) and anti-Bragg (curve 2) MQW structures CdTe/Cd<sub>1-x</sub>Mg<sub>x</sub>Te (x=0.4) at oblique incidence  $\theta=68^\circ$ . Dashed lines are the theoretical fit with parameters:  $\hbar\omega_0=1.633$  eV,  $\hbar\Gamma=1.3$  meV,  $\hbar\Gamma_0=0.15$  meV for Bragg structure and  $\hbar\omega_0=1.631$  eV,  $\hbar\Gamma=0.6$  meV,  $\hbar\Gamma_0=0.2$  meV for anti-Bragg structure.

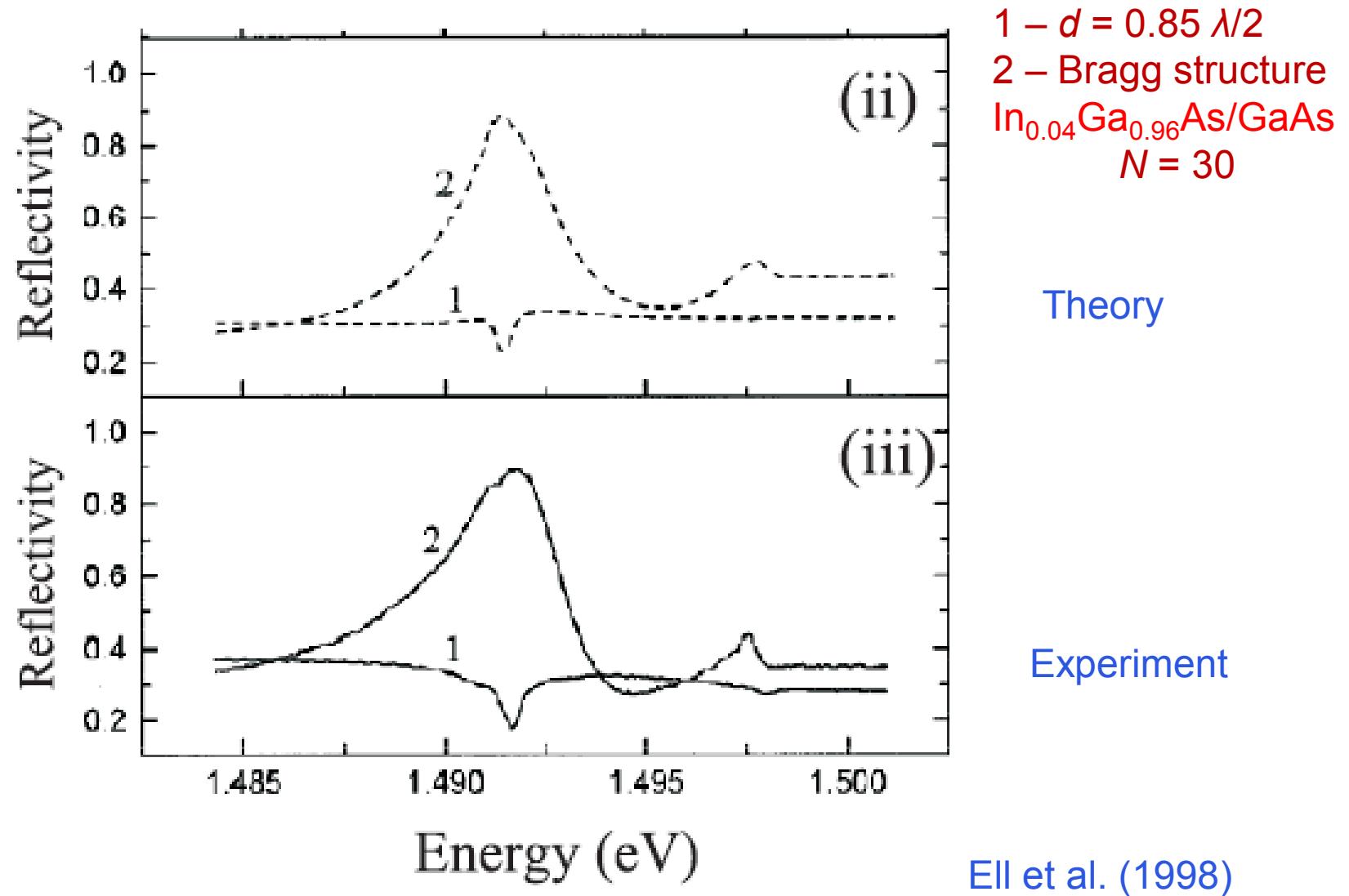
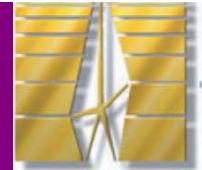
Kochereshko, Pozina, Ivchenko, Yakovlev,  
Waag, Ossau, Landwehr, Hellmann, Göbel,  
Superlattices&Microstructures 1994



CdTe/Cd<sub>x</sub>Zn<sub>1-x</sub>Te, N = 10

Merle d'Aubigné, Wasiela, Marriete, Dietl 1994

# Resonant optical spectra. Experiment



Ell et al. (1998)

# Reflection spectral width as a function of the QW number

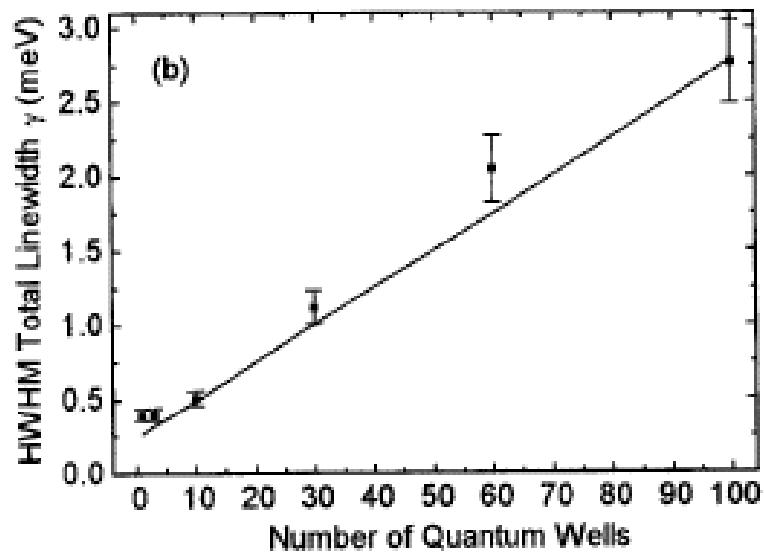
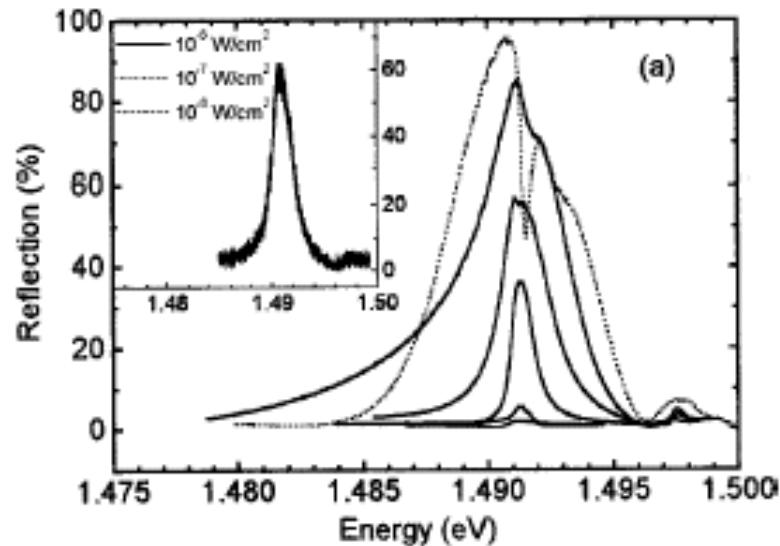
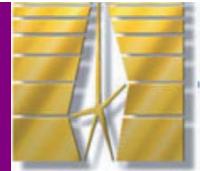


FIG. 4. (a) Increase of experimental reflection with  $N$  for 1, 3, 10, 30, 60, and 100 QW's with Bragg periodicity. The experimental measurements were done with an AR coating on the front and back.

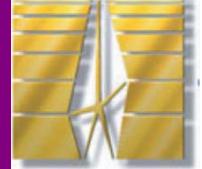
$$\Gamma_0 = 27 \pm 2 \text{ } \mu\text{eV}$$

$$\Gamma = 0.32 \pm 0.03 \text{ meV}$$

$$\text{halfwidth} = N\Gamma + \Gamma_0$$

Prineas, Ell, Lee, Khitrova, Gibbs, and Koch (2000)

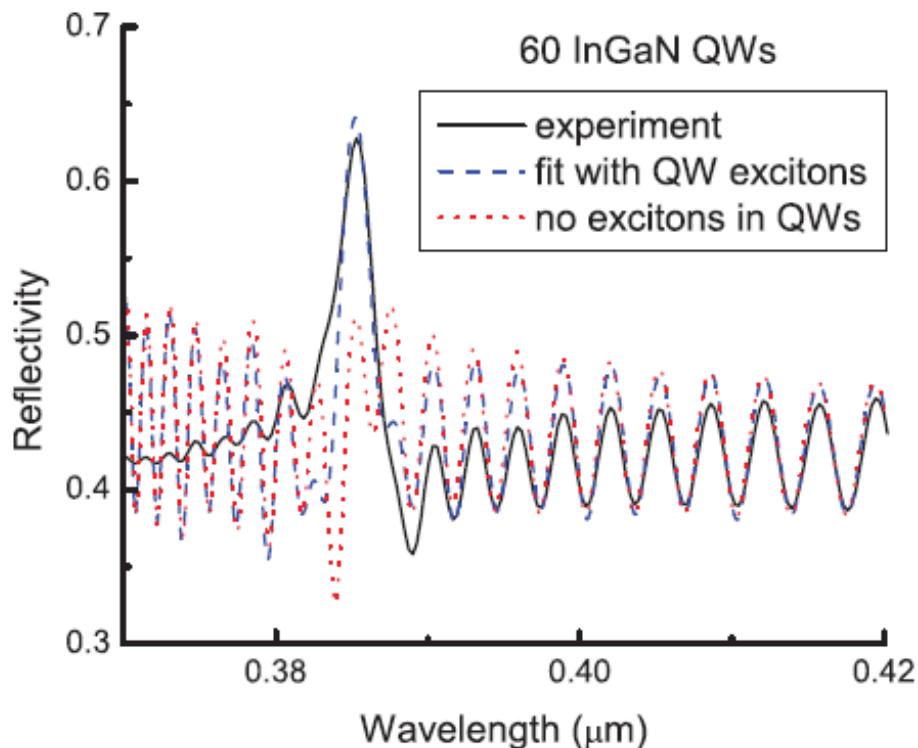
# Room temperature spectra



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## Optical lattices of InGaN quantum well excitons

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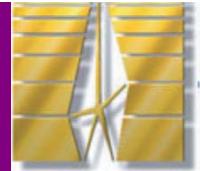


Experimental (solid black) and calculated (colored curves) spectra of the optical reflection from the sample with 60 InGaN QWs.

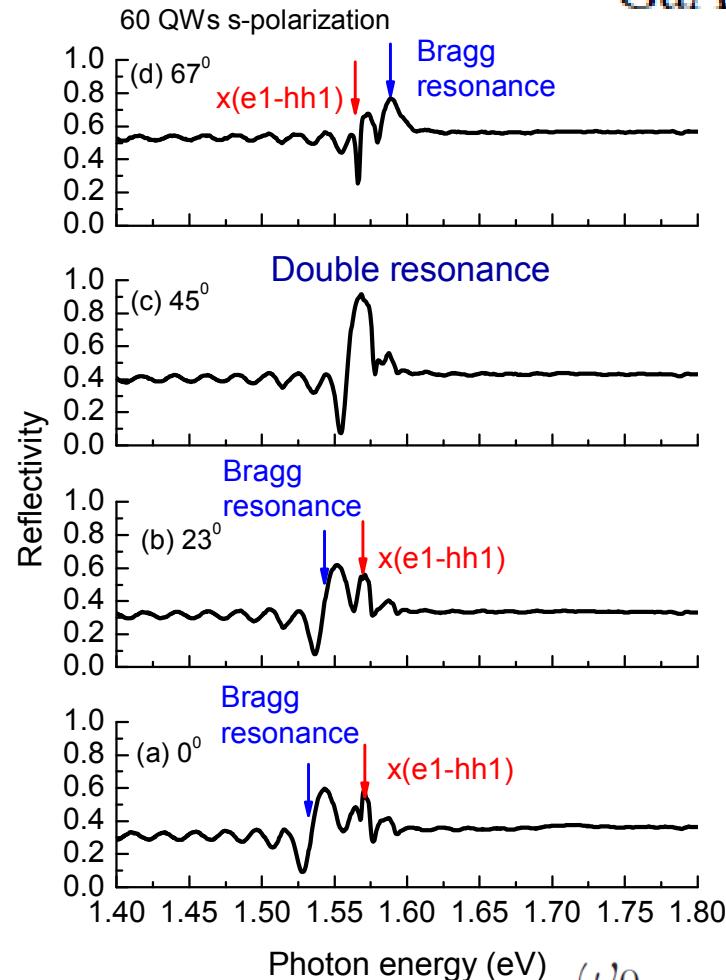
$$\begin{aligned}\hbar\omega_0 &= 3.22 \text{ eV}, \\ \hbar\Gamma_0 &= 0.17 \text{ meV} \\ \hbar\Gamma &= 27 \text{ meV} \\ \text{room temperature} &\end{aligned}$$

s-polarized light incident at 60°

# Angular dependence of reflectivity

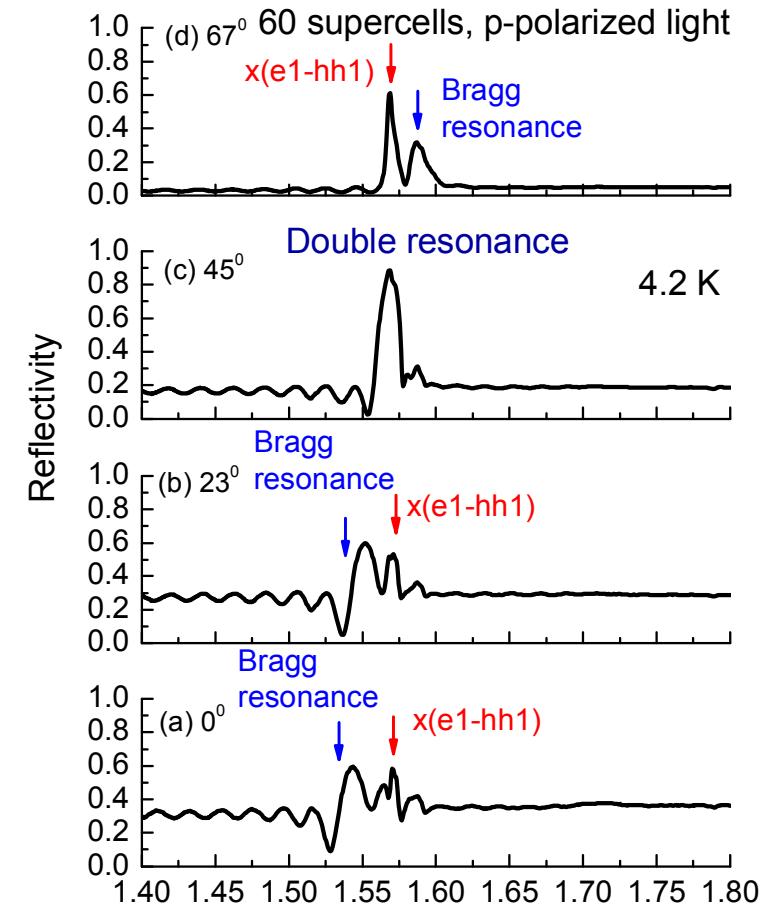


GaAs/AlGaAs



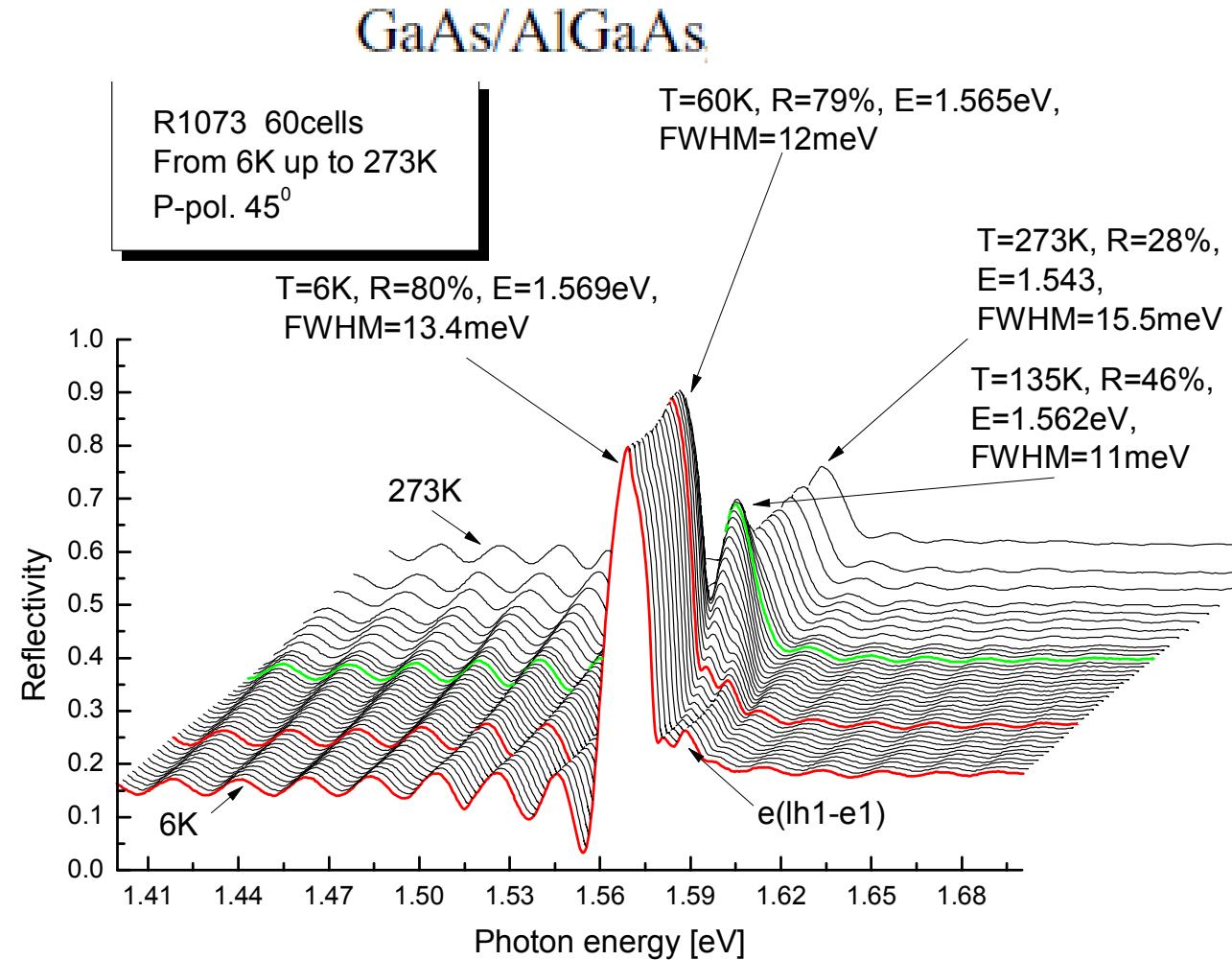
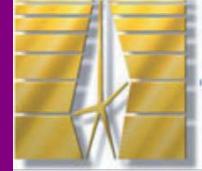
$$\hbar\Gamma_0 = 40 \text{ } \mu\text{eV}$$

$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b d \cos \theta = \pi$$



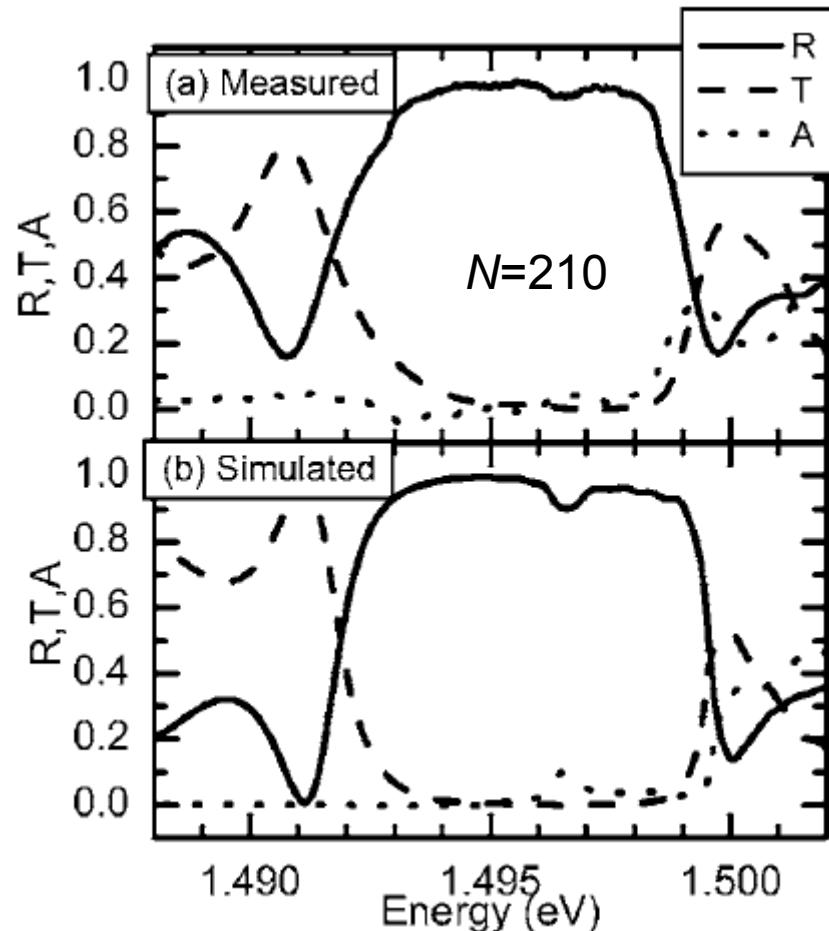
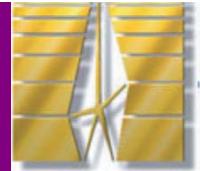
Chaldyshev et al. 2012

# Temperature dependence



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# Light reflection from 210 QWs



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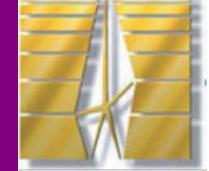
In<sub>0.025</sub> Ga<sub>0.975</sub> As/GaAs

$\hbar\Gamma = 0.2 \text{ meV}$   
 $\hbar\Gamma_0 = 31 \mu\text{eV}$   
12 nm/103 nm

**Bragg-spaced QW structure**

Prineas, Yildirim, Johnston, Reddy, PRB, 2006

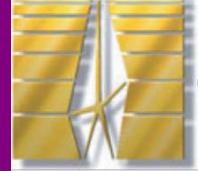
# Reflection coefficient from $N$ QWs



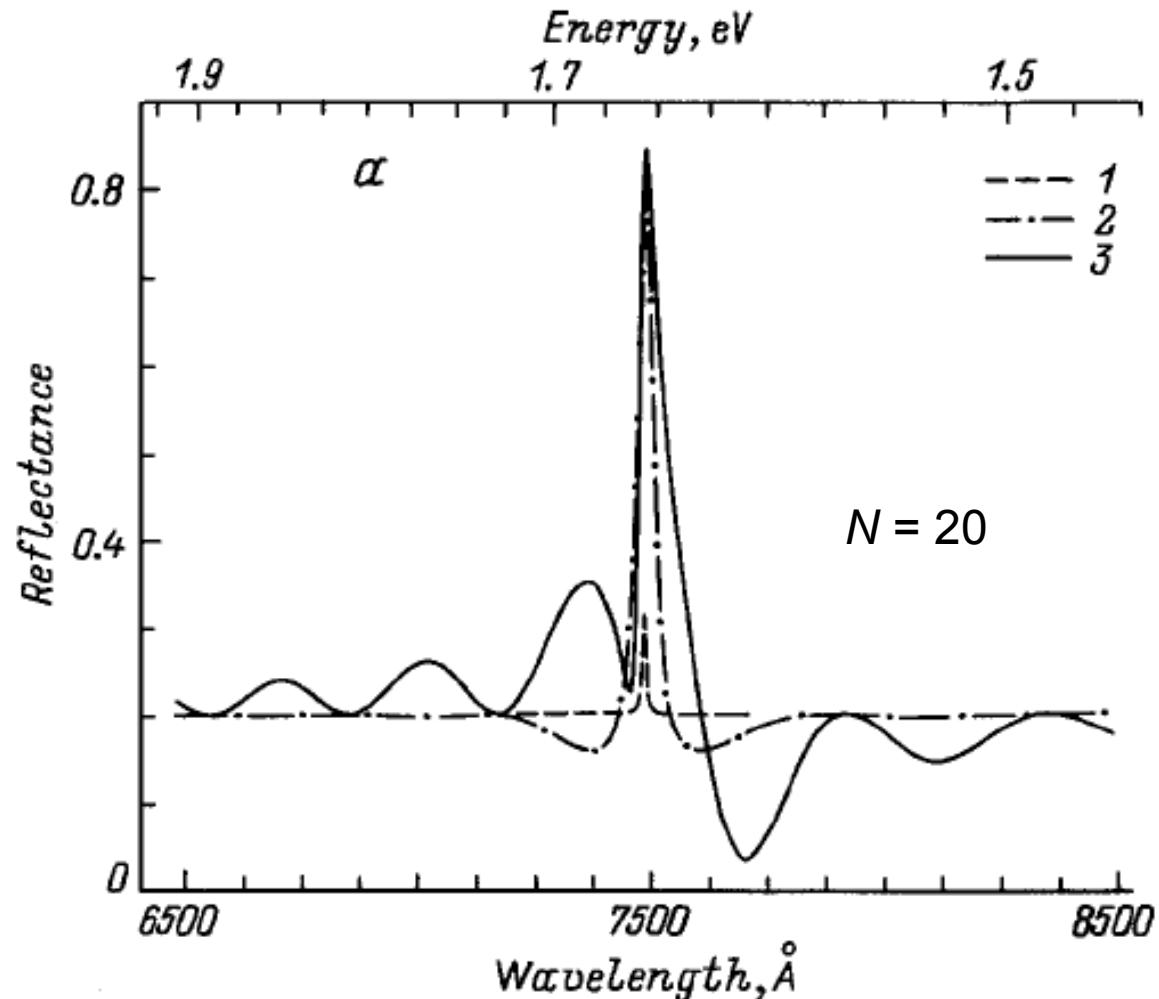
$\tilde{r}$

$$r_N = \frac{\tilde{t} \frac{\sin((N-1)Kd)}{\sin N Kd}}{1 - \tilde{t}}$$

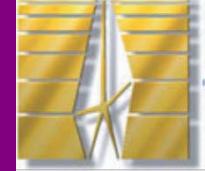
$$\cos Kd = \cos qd - \frac{\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} \sin qd$$



# Effect of dielectric contrast



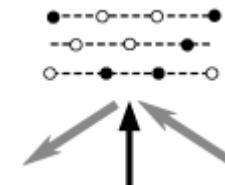
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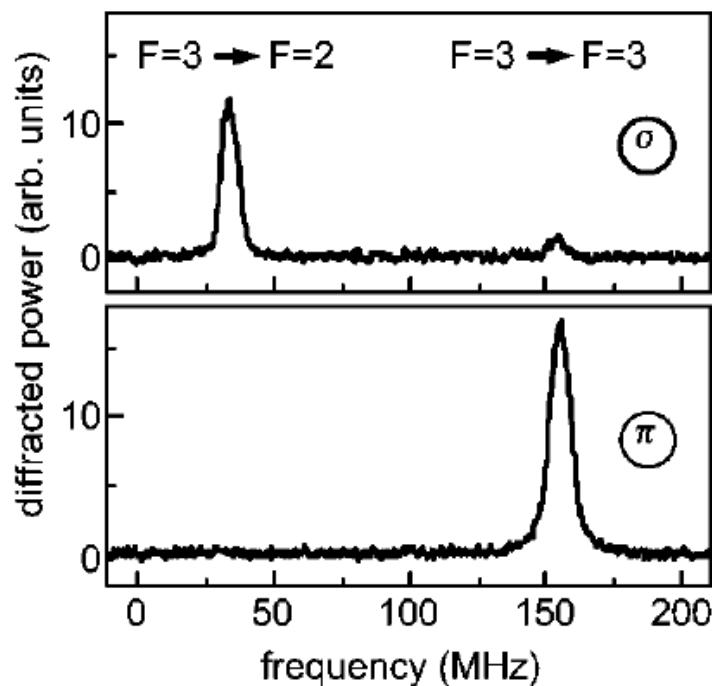
# Diffraction in the Born approximation

Neglecting **multidiffraction**, one has for the diffraction efficiency

$$I_{\text{dif}} \propto \frac{E_0^2 N^2 |e_f^* \hat{S} e_i|^2}{(\omega_0 - \omega)^2 + \Gamma^2} \delta_{q_f, q_i + b}$$



Weidemüller et al. 1998



Spectrum of the Bragg diffracted power vs frequency of the incident blue light. The incident beam is linearly polarized (a) in the horizontal plane (*s* polarization) and (b) along the vertical direction (*p* polarization). The resonance frequencies of the  $5S_{1/2}(F=3) \rightarrow 6P_{1/2}(F=2)$  and  $(F=3)$  transitions are indicated above ( $\lambda = 422$  nm).

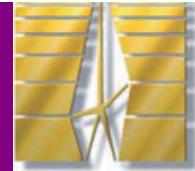
Preparation of the lattice:

$5S_{1/2}(F=3) \rightarrow 5P_{3/2}(F=4)$

$\lambda_L = 780.2$  nm    ( $\lambda_L \cos \theta \approx \lambda$ )

$^{85}\text{Rb}$

# Optical lattices. Multiple reflection



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## Photonic Band Gaps in One-Dimensionally Ordered Cold Atomic Vapors

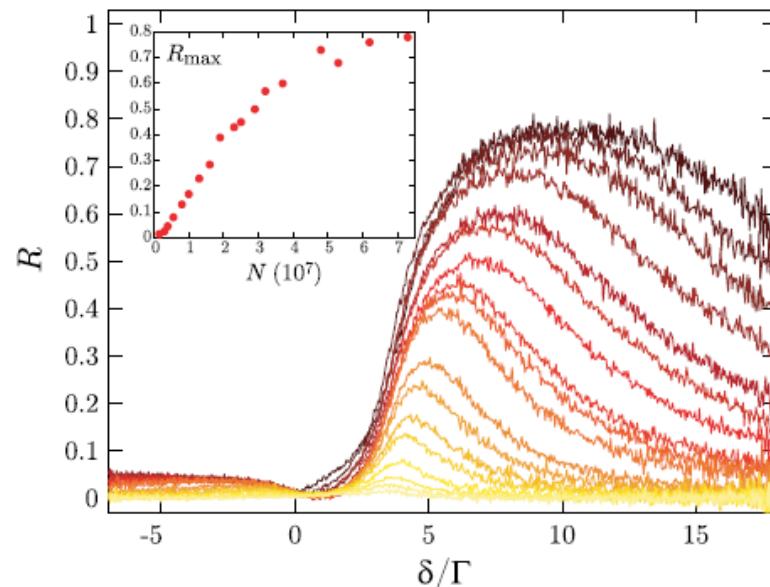
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We experimentally investigate the Bragg reflection of light at one-dimensionally ordered atomic structures by using cold atoms trapped in a laser standing wave. By a fine-tuning of the periodicity, we reach the regime of multiple reflection due to the refractive index contrast between layers, yielding an unprecedented high reflectance efficiency of 80%. This result is explained by the occurrence of a photonic band gap in such systems, in accordance with previous predictions.

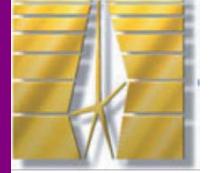


Spectra for different  $^{85}\text{Rb}$  atom numbers  $\mathcal{N}$  in the lattice (constant length, varying density)

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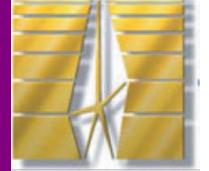
Resonant photonic crystals

# Resonant photonic crystals and quasicrystals



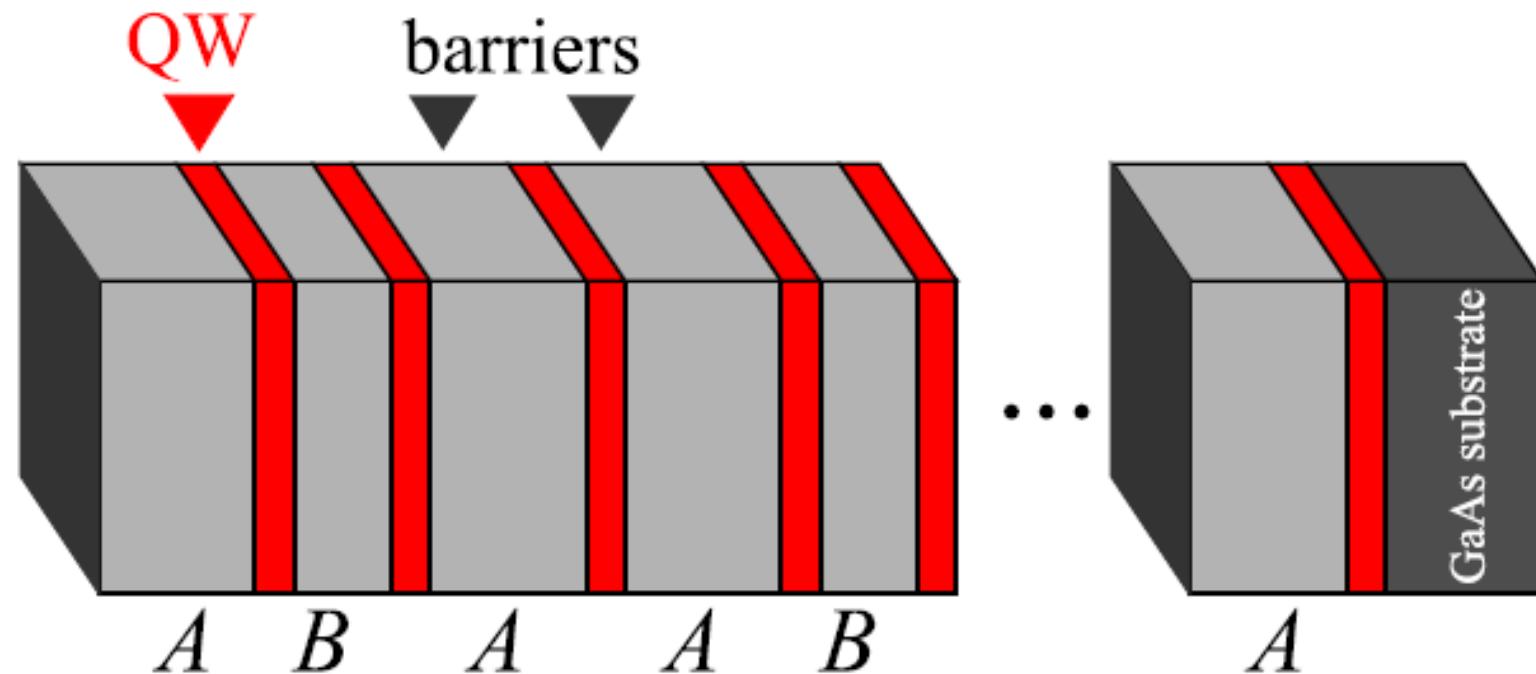
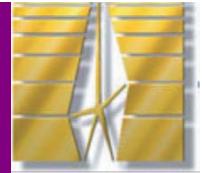
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# Resonant Photonic Quasicrystals

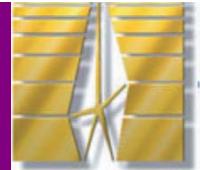


**Quasicrystals** are one of the solid structural forms (in addition to **crystals** and **amorphous solids**) to be nonperiodic and possess the long-range order compatible with the Bragg diffraction.

# Fibonacci QW structures

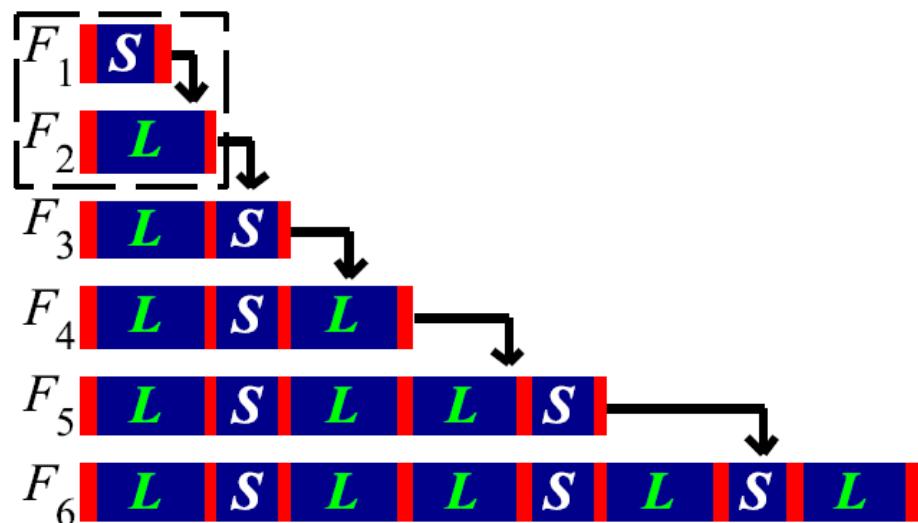


# Fibonacci chain



Fibonacci QW sequence

$$F_{j+1} = \{F_j, F_{j-1}\}$$



canonic Fibonacci:

$$\begin{aligned} l/s &= \tau \\ \text{golden mean} \\ \tau &= \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2} \approx 1.62 \end{aligned}$$

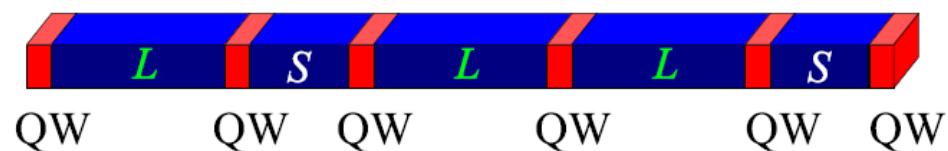
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periodic:  
 $l/s = 1$

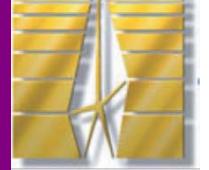
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noncanonic  
Fibonacci:  
arbitrary  $l/s$

Fibonacci multiple-QW structures

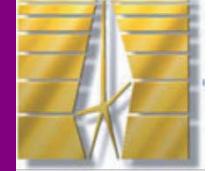


# Structure factor



The structure factor of one-dimensional chain of sites  $z_j$ :

$$f(q) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} f(q, N), \quad f(q, N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{2iqz_j}$$



# Structure factor of the Fibonacci chain

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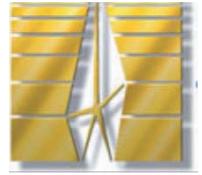
$$a/b = \tau$$

$$f(q) = \sum_{h,h'=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_{2q,G_{hh'}} f_{hh'} , \quad G_{hh'} = \frac{2\pi}{\bar{d}} \left( h + \frac{h'}{\tau} \right)$$

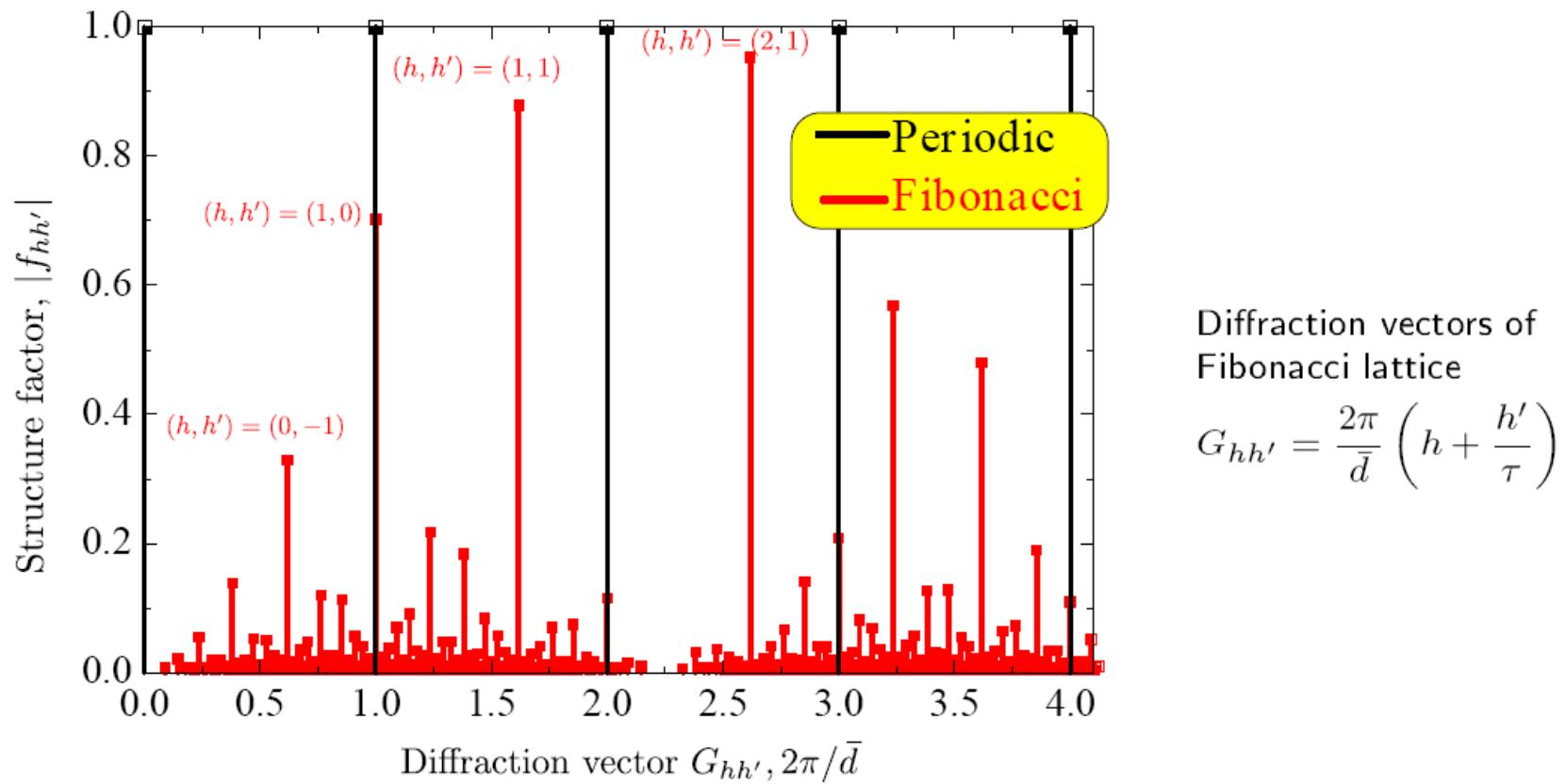
$$\bar{d} = b(3 - \tau) , \quad f_{hh'} = \frac{\sin S_{hh'}}{S_{hh'}} e^{i\theta_{hh'}}$$

$$S_{hh'} = \pi \frac{\tau(\tau h' - h)}{\tau + 2} , \quad \theta_{hh'} = \frac{\tau - 2}{\tau} S_{hh'}$$

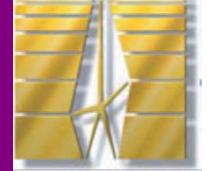
# Structure factor of quasicrystal



$$f(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \exp(2i q z_j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{(disordered)} \\ \sum_{h,h'} \delta_{2q, G_{hh'}} f_{hh'} & \text{(quasicrystalline)} \\ \sum_h \delta_{2q, 2\pi h/d} & \text{(periodic)} \end{cases}$$



# Resonance Bragg condition



## 1. Periodic quantum-well structure

$$q(\omega_0) = \pi \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b = \frac{\pi}{d}$$

In general,

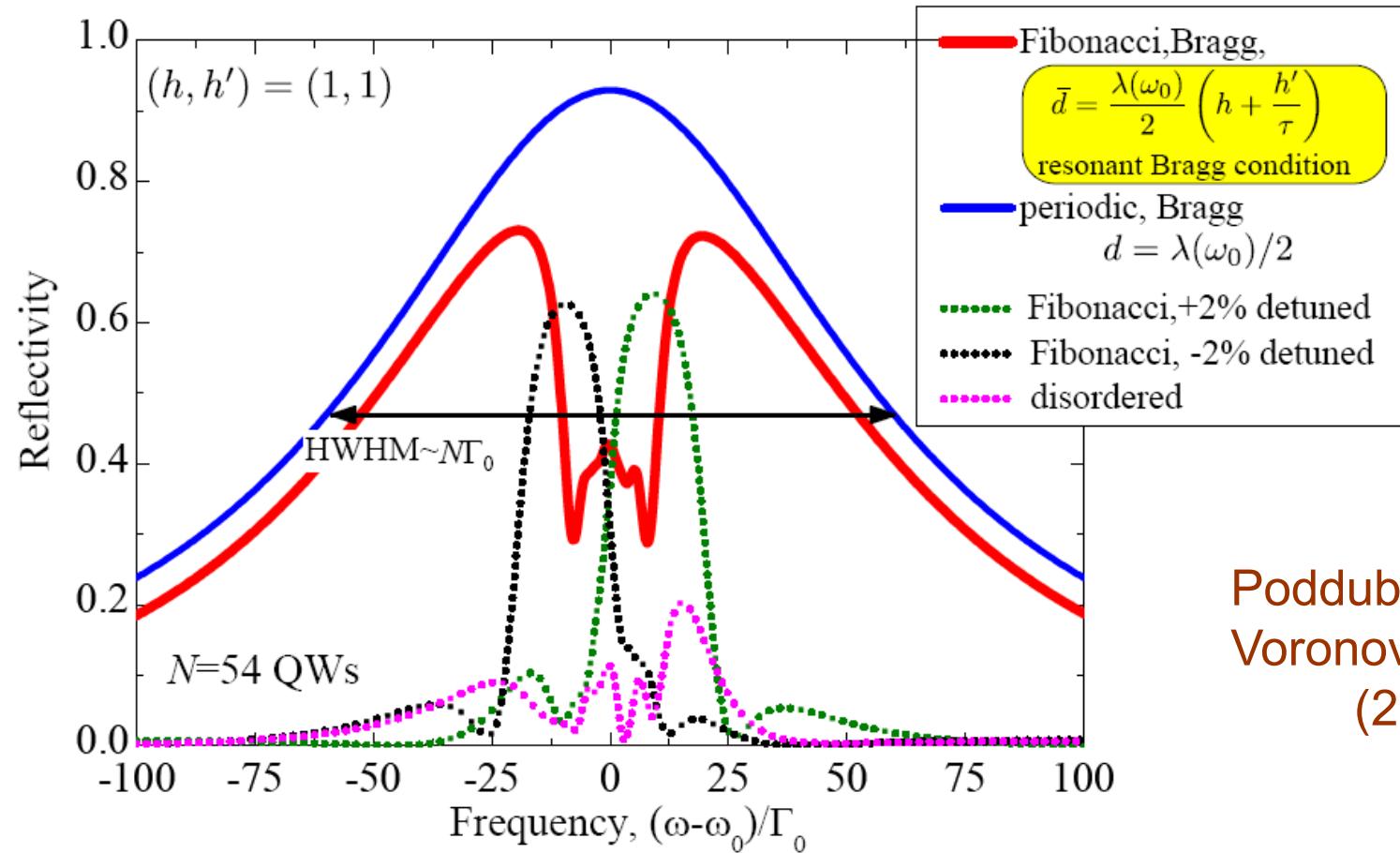
$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b = \frac{\pi}{d} h \quad (h = 1, 2, 3\dots)$$

## 2. Fibonacci quantum-well structure

$$\frac{\omega_0}{c} n_b = \frac{G_{hh'}}{2} = \frac{\pi}{\bar{d}} \left( h + \frac{h'}{\tau} \right) \quad (h = F_m, h' = F_{m-1})$$

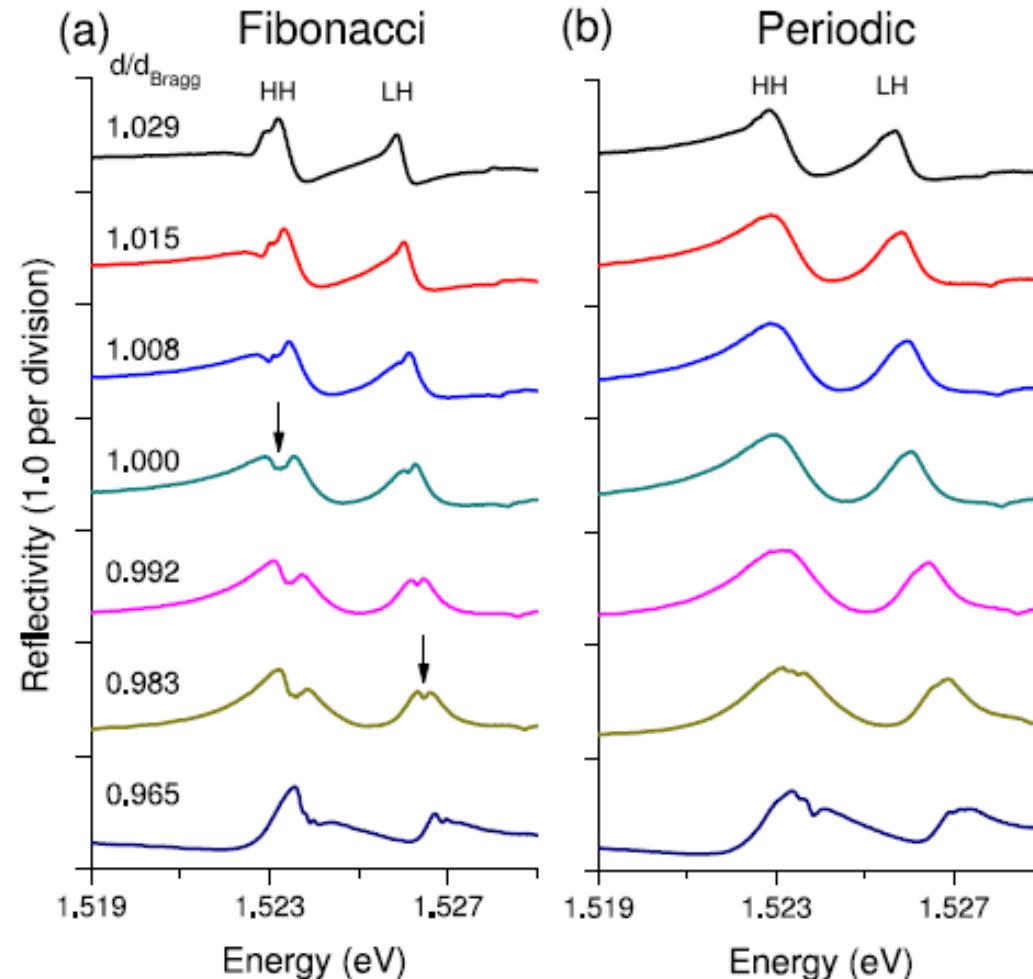
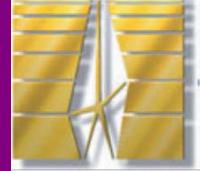
**Poddubny, Pilozzi, Voronov,  
Ivchenko, Phys. Rev. B 2008**

# Reflection from Bragg Fibonacci QW structure



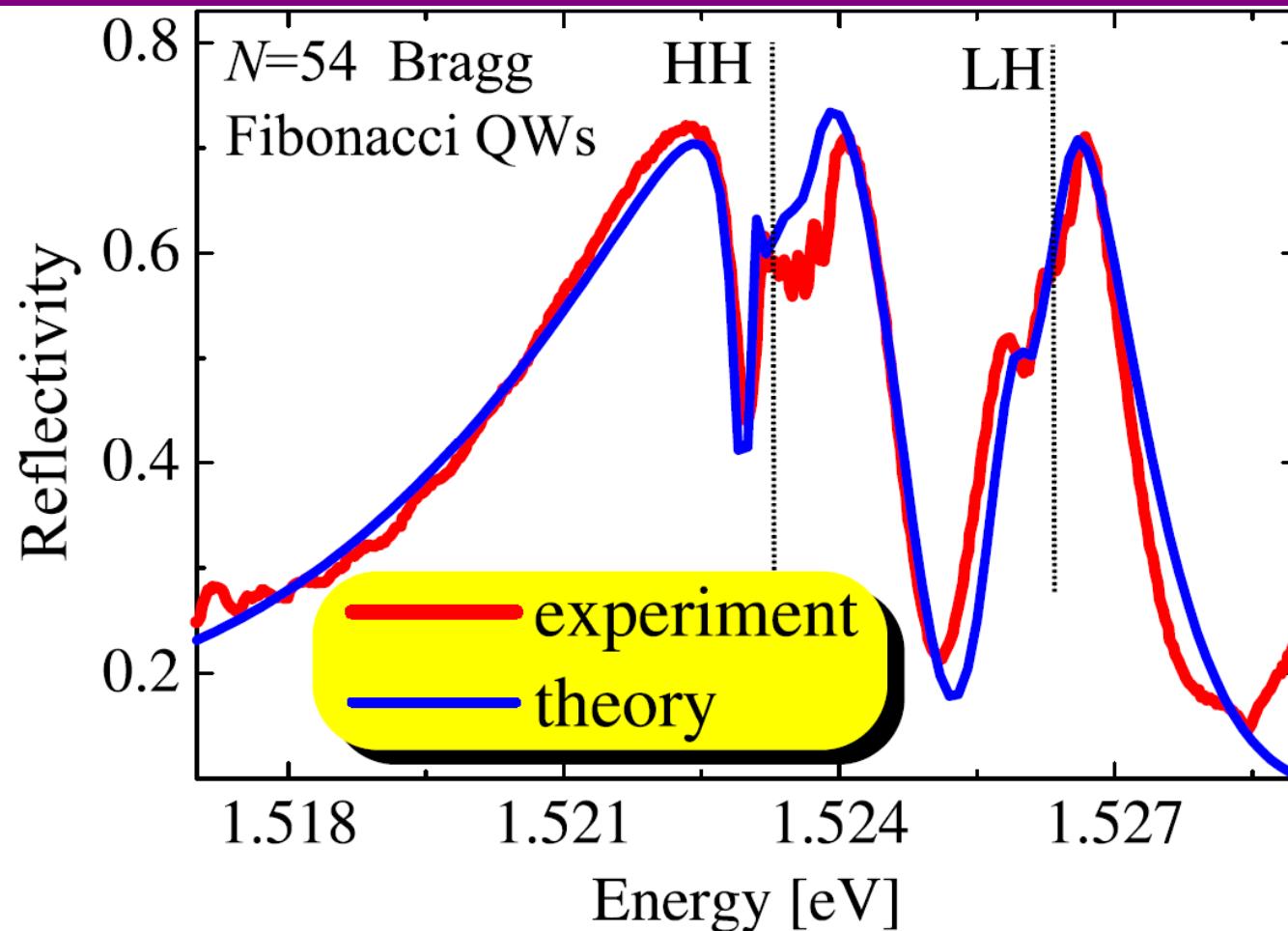
- Reflectivity grows when structure is tuned to Bragg condition
- Spectral HWHM is proportional to the number of QWs  $N$
- Characteristic spectral dip is present around exciton resonance  $\omega_0$

# Experiment, GaAs/AlGaAs QWs



Hendrickson, Richards, Sweet, Khitrova, Poddubny, Ivchenko, Wegener, Gibbs, Opt. Express 2008

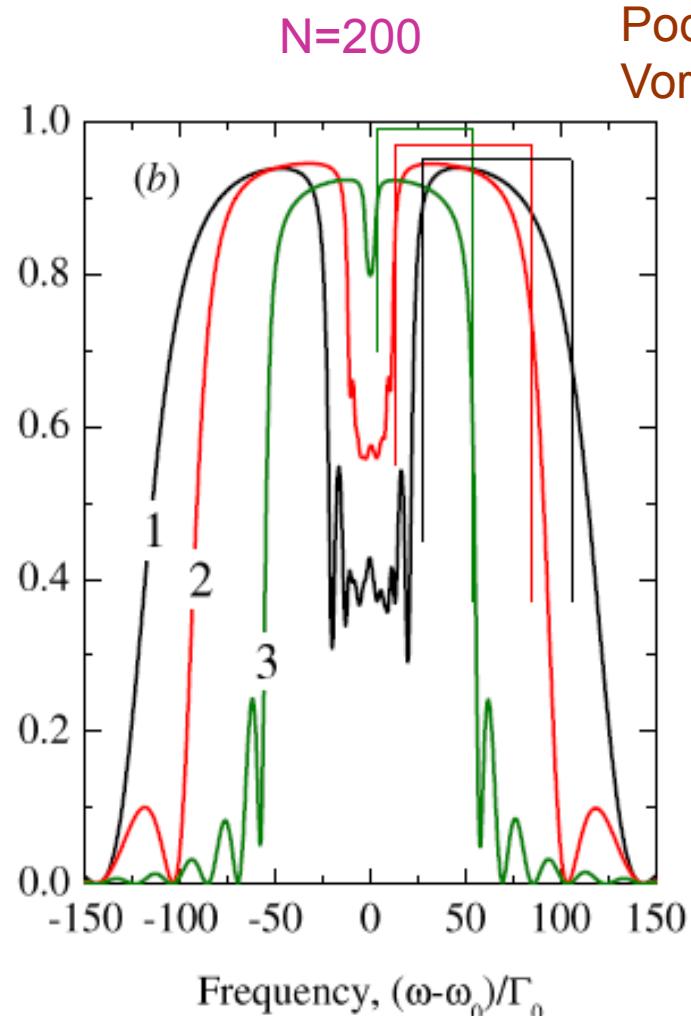
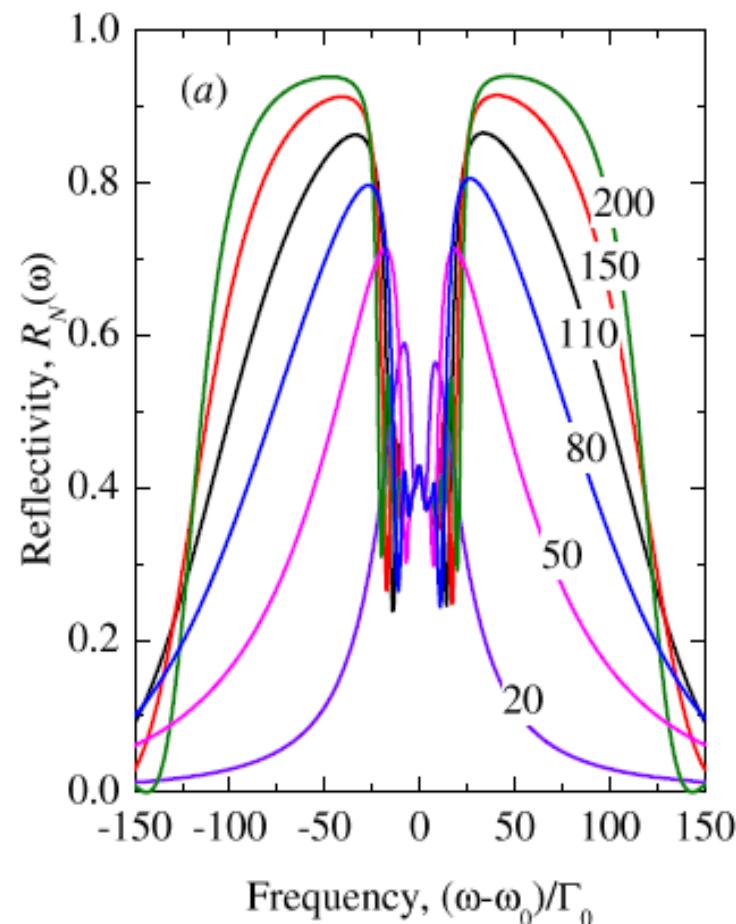
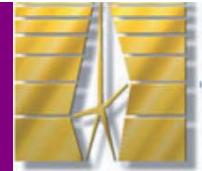
# Experiment and theory



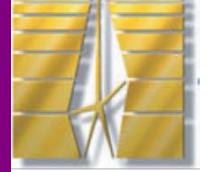
$$\Gamma_0^{(\text{HH})} \approx 25 \mu\text{eV}, \Gamma_0^{(\text{LH})} \approx 10 \mu\text{eV}, \Gamma^{(\text{HH})} \approx 180 \mu\text{eV}, \Gamma^{(\text{LH})} \approx 115 \mu\text{eV}$$

Werchner, Schafer, Kira, Koch, Sweet, Olitzky, Hendrickson, Richards, Khitrova, Gibbs, Poddubny, Ivchenko, Voronov, Wegener, Opt. Express (2009)

# Calculated spectra



# Two-wave approximation



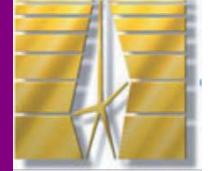
In a periodic system

$$E(z) = e^{iKz} \sum_n e^{ib_n z} E_{b_n} \quad \left( b_n = \frac{2\pi n}{d} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - q^2 \right) E(z) &= \frac{2q\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} \sum_{j=1}^N \delta(z - z_j) E(z) \\ &= \frac{2q\Gamma_0}{d(\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma)} \sum_n e^{ib_n z} f_n^* E(z) \end{aligned}$$

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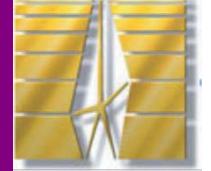
$$(K^2 - q^2)E_K = \frac{2q\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} (E_K + f_1^* E_{K-b_1})$$

$$[|K - b_1|^2 - q^2] E_{K-b_1} = \frac{2q\Gamma_0}{\omega_0 - \omega - i\Gamma} (f_1 E_K + E_{K-b_1})$$

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# Generalized Bloch-like functions in quasicrystals



$$\Delta E(\mathbf{r}) - \text{grad div} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = - \left( \frac{\omega}{c} \right)^2 \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{r})$$

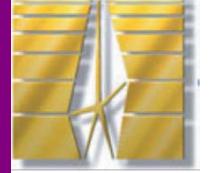
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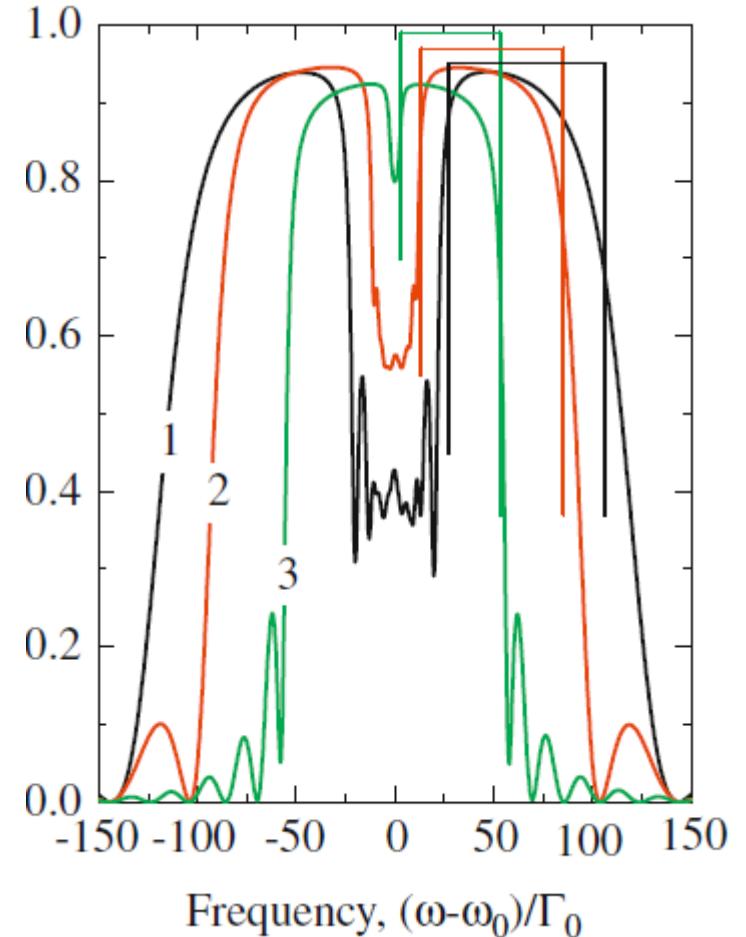
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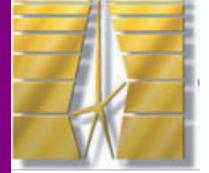
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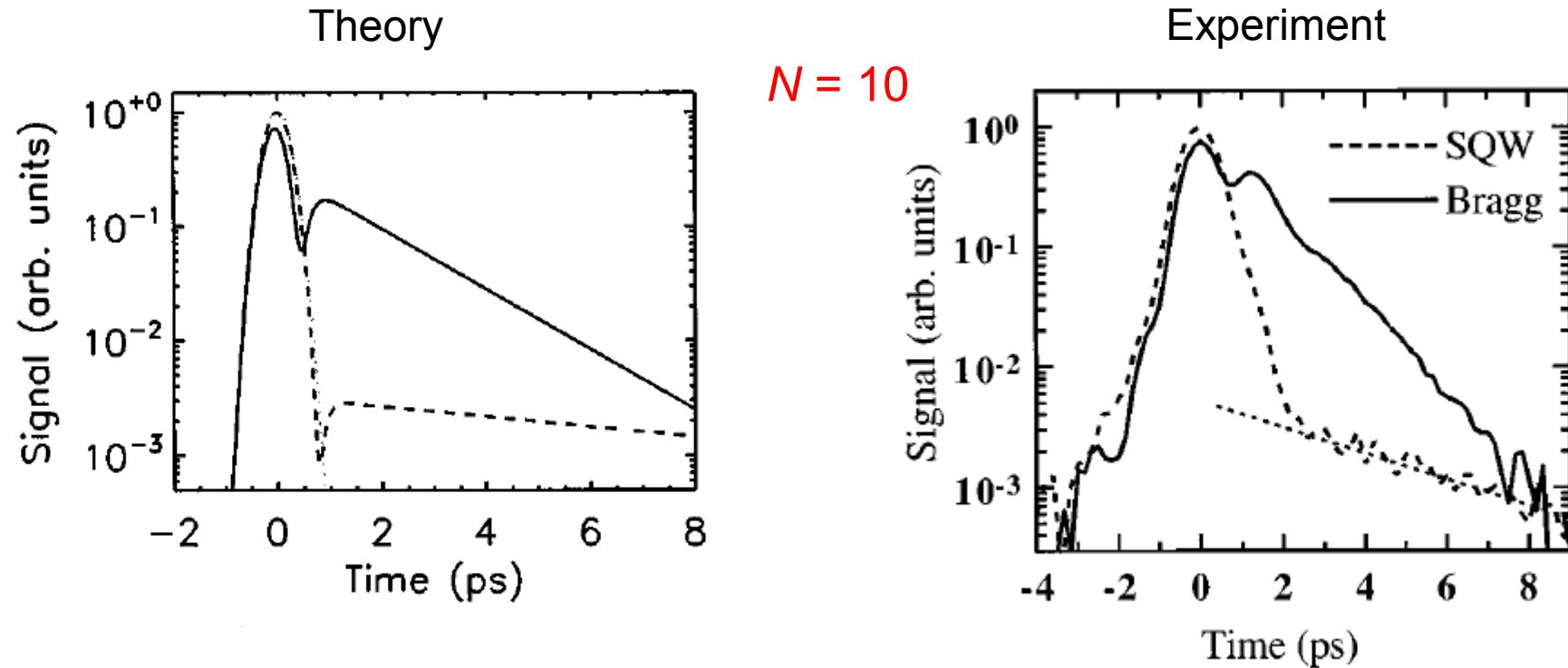
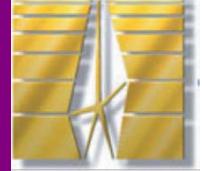


# Resonant photonic crystals and quasicrystals



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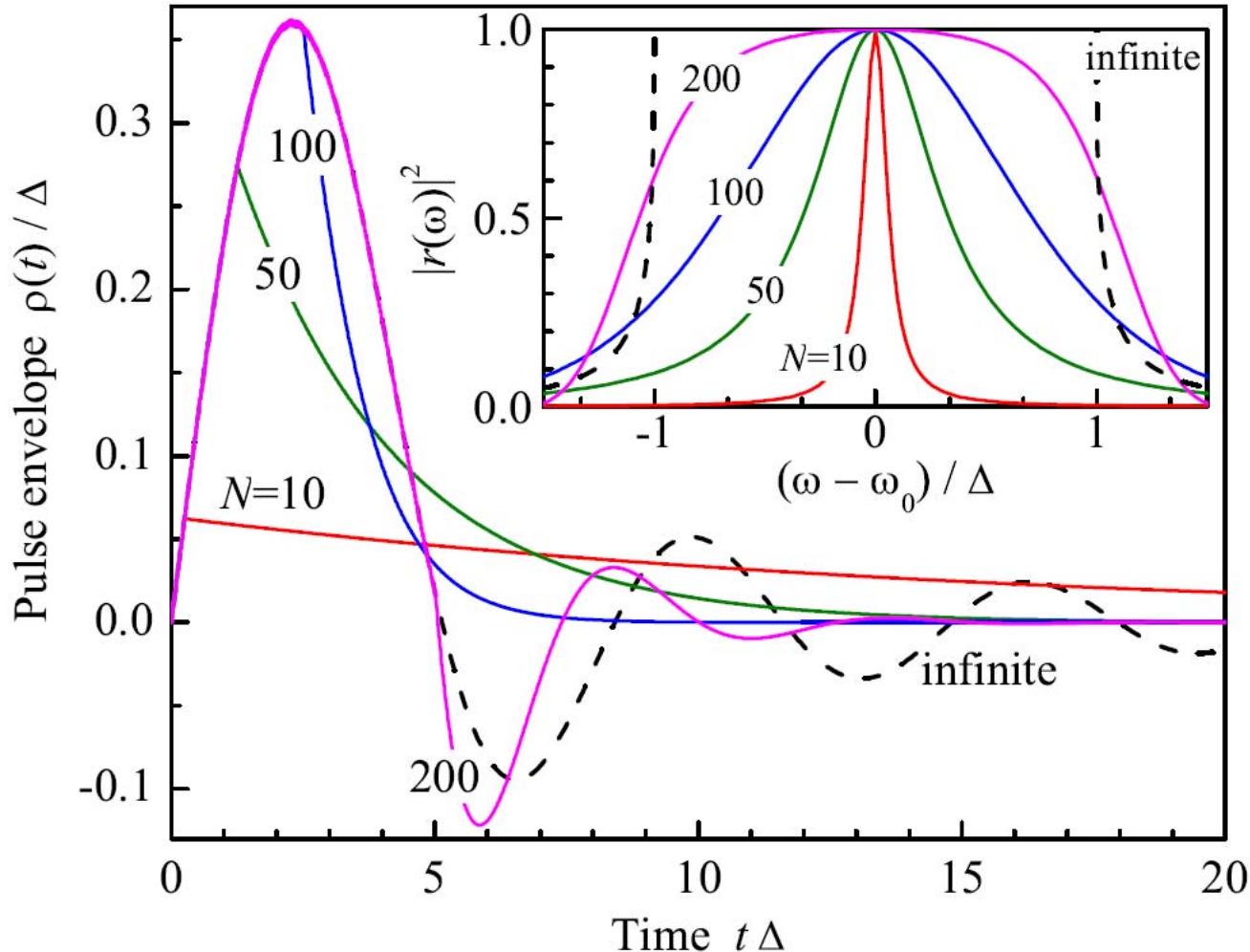
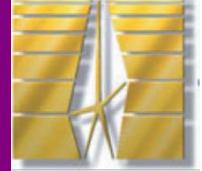
# Time-resolved reflectivity from resonant Bragg QW structure



Comparison of the time-resolved reflected pulses from a the Bragg structure (solid line), and from a single quantum well (dashed line), at low excitation on the semilogarithmic scale.

Haas, Stroucken, Hübner, Kuhl, Grote, Knorr, Jahnke,  
Koch, Hey, Ploog, Phys. Rev. 1998

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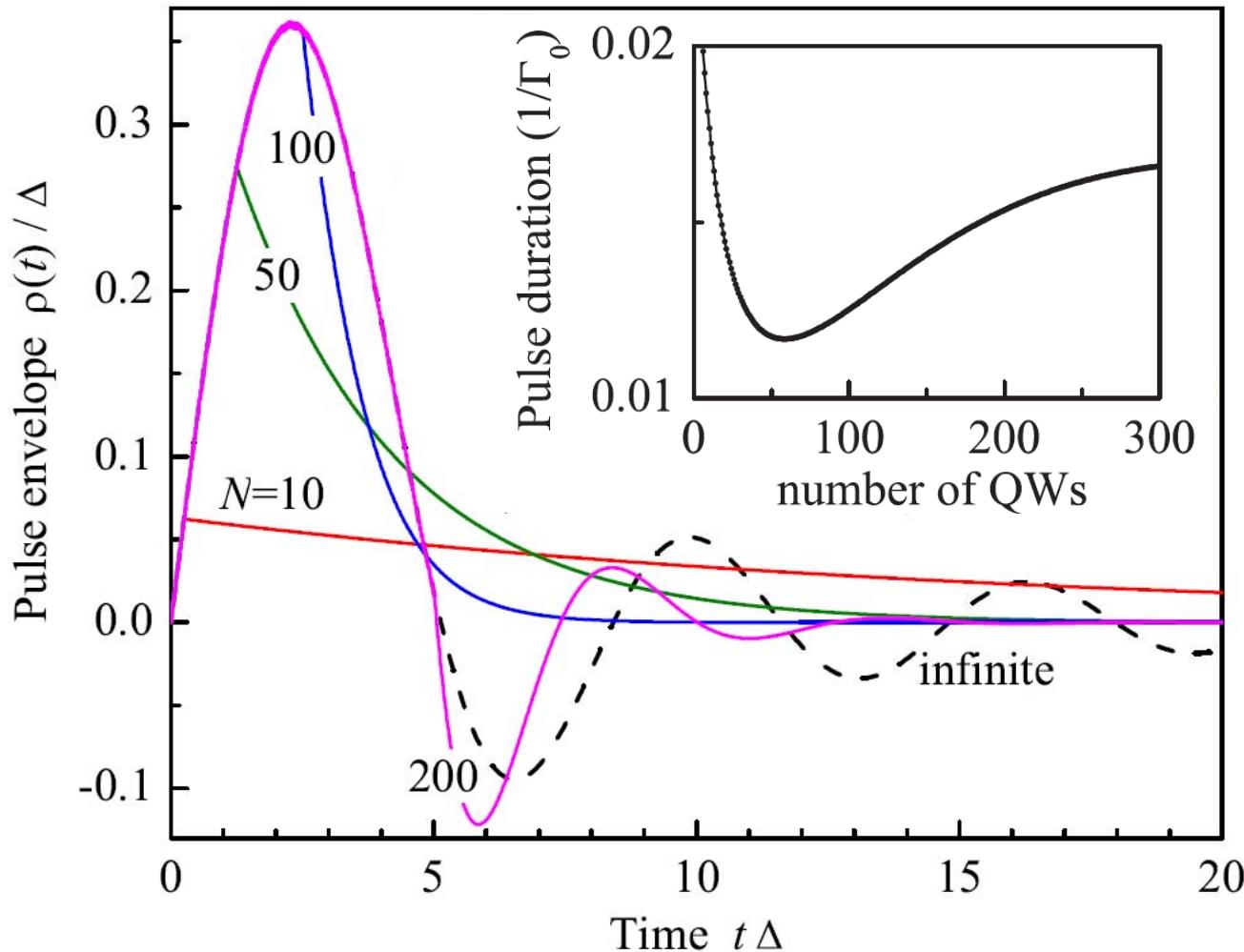
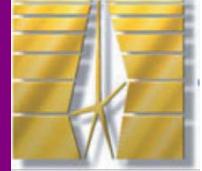
$$\rho_N(t) = N\Gamma_0 e^{-N\Gamma_0 t}$$

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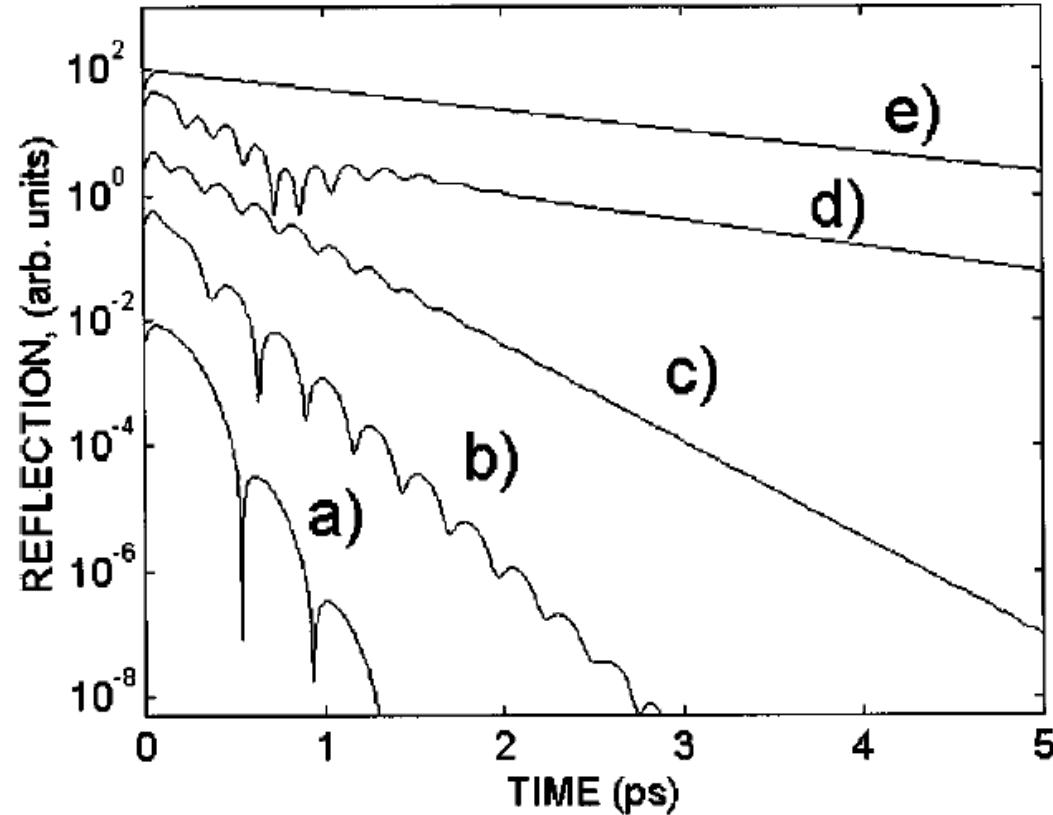
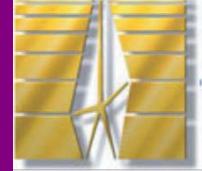
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Reflected pulse duration

$$\frac{\int |\rho(t)|^2 t dt}{\int |\rho(t)|^2 dt}$$

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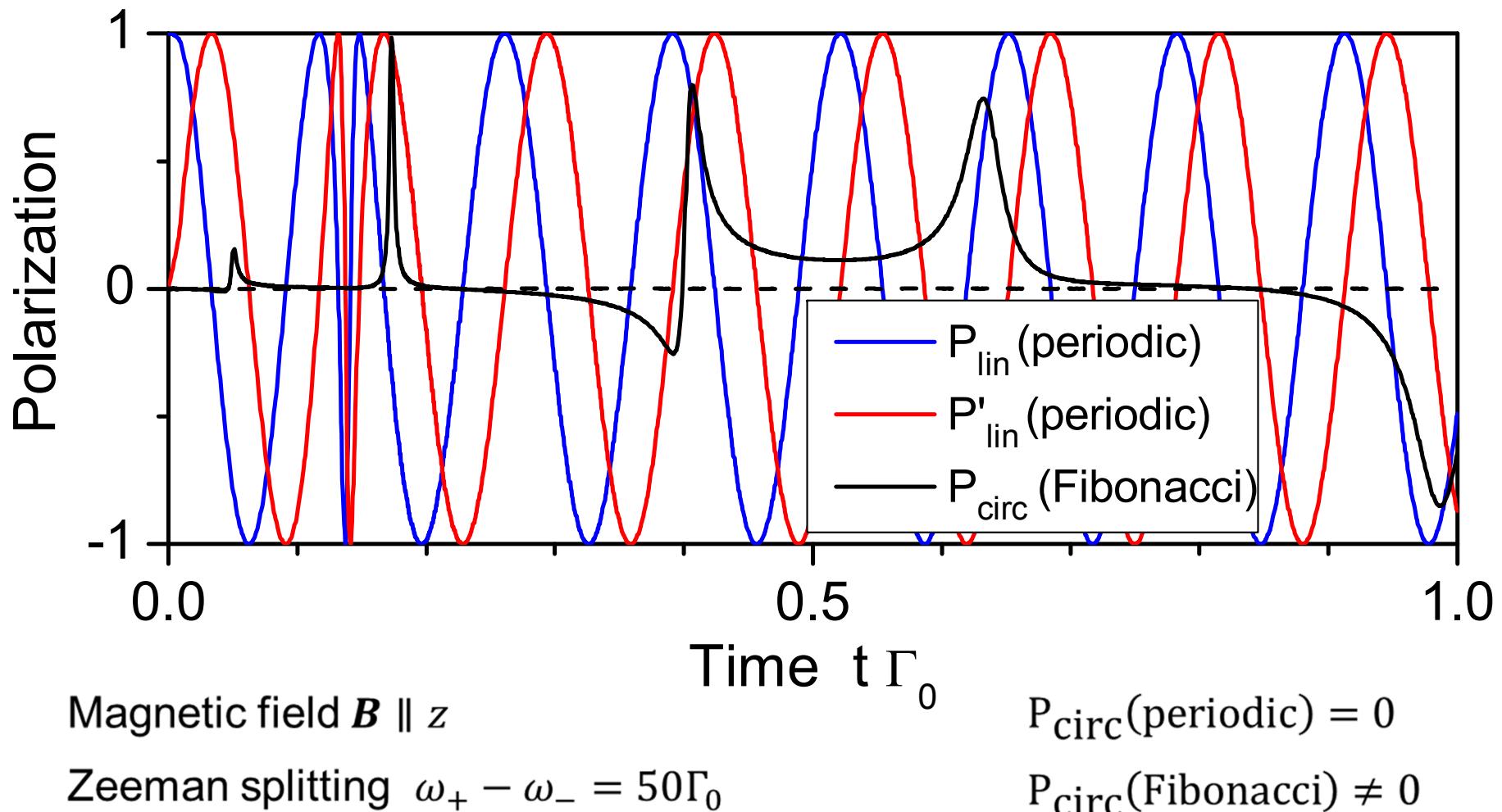
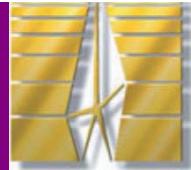
# Effect of inhomogeneous broadening



Malpuech and Kavokin,  
Appl. Phys. Lett. 2000

Time-resolved reflection of GaN/AlGaN quantum well structures:  
(a) **SQW** with  $D = 5$  meV; (b) MQW,  $N=10$ ,  $D = 5$  meV; (c) MQW,  
 $N=50$ ,  $D = 5$  meV; (d) MQW,  $N=100$ ,  $D = 5$  meV; (e) **SQW** with  
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